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## MARINES ENTER SOUTH SEOUL IN SURPRISE ATTACK

### All-out offensive against capital launched

### MORE UN ADVANCES IN SOUTH

Tokyo, September 24.

United States Marines slashed their way into the Southern part of Seoul today by sending a column across the Han river in a surprise dawn attack.

The Leathernecks swarmed over the river at Yongdongpo under cover of early morning mists and caught the Reds completely off balance. At mid-afternoon the Marine column had driven into the thickly-populated Southern section of Seoul to take the high ground looking down on the city's gas works, the military barracks, railway yards and the Northern end of the big bridge which once handled the main traffic going South from Seoul.

And on this, the Americans returned to the city from which South Korean defenders were driven 87 days ago by the Red invaders.

Near the railway yards, American artillery had set fire to a gasoline or oil supply dump. Marine officers are prepared to call down heavy artillery and air bombardment on any Red strongpoints that resist the advance.

"We've got plenty of ammunition and air and I want you to use it when necessary," Colonel Lewis (Chesty) Puller of Saluda, Virginia told his men.

### All-out assault started

The First Marine Regiment crossed the Han River two miles West of Seoul and joined the Fifth Marines in an all-out assault on the Korean capital from the West early this morning, says United Press.

The Marine offensive against the Red-held capital of the Korean Republic began just after dawn as fresh American troops arrived at Kimp'o airfield, West of Seoul, to reinforce the United Nations beachhead.

The Fifth Marines jumped off at 6.30 a.m. from positions on the Western outskirts after gaining about 300 to 500 yards in a limited attack which did not get under way until 3 p.m. on Saturday.

A company of Communist Infantry counter-attacked on the Fifth's right flank just North of the Han River in Seoul's South West outskirts at 5.20 p.m. but were beaten back with only one American casualty.

The First Marines switched plans to cross the Han into the rear of the Seoul Garrison positions near the demolished bridges and struck at dawn near the right flank of the Fifth Regiment two miles downstream. They shoved across amphibious tractors and trucks, followed up with tanks loaded on pontoons, linked up with the Fifth Regiment and swung down the North bank of the river toward a hill overlooking the bridges.

At 8.30 a.m. both Marine forces reported they were making progress.

The stiffest resistance appeared to be the North where the Marines were driving down Ansan Mountain directly for the heart of Seoul.

The First Marines made the initial river crossing almost without opposition.

### The weather

At 0000 GMT (8 p.m. HKST), a trough of low pressure extends Eastwards across the China Sea to the Japan Sea. High pressure is over the South and East of Japan. North of this trough a belt of high pressure stretches NEwards from North China across North Japan.

Today's Forecast—Moderate Ely winds freshening at times. Cloudy with occasional showers.

Yesterday's Weather—  
Maximum: 81.4 deg. F.  
Minimum: 74.8 deg. F.  
Rainfall: 0.1 in.  
Sea—1-2 ft. swell. Total swell 1-2 ft. 1-2 ft. swell. Total swell 1-2 ft. 1-2 ft. swell. Total swell 1-2 ft.

### BRITISH CASUALTIES

With the British troops in Korea, September 24. The proportion of dead to wounded among British casualties in Korea yesterday was said tonight to be extremely low.

Almost all wounded were expected to recover. The exact casualty figures are not yet available.

Many of the wounded are suffering from burns caused when American planes strafed the Argilla positions by mistake, and dropped napalm bombs.

Other were wounded by mortar and machinegun fire when the North Koreans subsequently attacked, or by enemy shelling of the injured and stretcher bearers on the bridge and ferry across the Nakdong.

The morale of the Argilla still remains extremely high despite yesterday's events. Their officers today praised the men for the courageous manner in which they carried out their withdrawals under air strafing and in front of attacking Communists.

One officer said: "They accomplished a most difficult task magnificently. Each man obeyed his orders to the letter and there was no panic."—Reuter.

### GI's in Osan

Navy planes roared low over Seoul today, knocking down pointed Communist strongholds which were blocking the Marine advance into the Koreans' 600-year-old capital, adds Reuter.

South of Seoul the GI's pushed beyond Osan, and are now less than 15 miles from the outskirts of the United States Infantry force North of Sangju, 45 miles from Taejeu.

Tank-led spearheads, racing out of the South East defence area, are trying to catch, cut off and wipe out the Communists fleeing North and East.

Port of the Sangju column turned South to surround the Communists retreating above Kumch'on.

The bloody battle for Seoul raged throughout the night and today with the Marines inching forward to the heart of the city through barricaded streets and fortified buildings.

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One such patrol from Task Force Lynch of the First Cavalry Division drove 10,000 yards due West of Sangju without making contact with the enemy. Another patrol from the same task force drove South to within half a mile of Kumch'on, again with no opposition.

Both patrols later withdrew to the main body.

Meanwhile towns that a short time earlier fell before the rapidly advancing Communist army were again appearing on the battle maps as the United Nations force either captured or pounded close to them.

Going around the perimeter the situation was as follows. A task force from the 25th Division captured Sachon in the early afternoon against no enemy resistance and continued Northward to the outskirts of Chinju where they were reported late today.

In the Second Division area two columns advancing on Kyongju were at last report within two miles of that city and by late evening were believed to be near its outskirts.

In the First Corps sector Kumch'on was virtually in American hands as task forces from two directions approached the city limits. Units of the 24th Division, held up by heavy enemy resistance on the East side, were within 500 yards of the city. Another task force was within four miles of the city on the North but a patrol drove within half a mile without meeting opposition.

South of Kumch'on two more motorised task forces captured Songju and were spreading out East and West from that city.

### Reds fleeing on Northern front

Meanwhile, on the Northern front, disorganised elements of three Red divisions were hurrying Northward today between Andong and Yangdok faster than the South Korean Army could keep in pursuit.

As the Communist divisions fled, they were pounded mercilessly by American fighter planes and bombers. The Reds were moving so fast that most of the units of the Sixth Korean Army could not keep up.

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### Rescue attempt in vain



American and South Korean soldiers raise a Mustang fighter plane in an attempt to keep a trapped South Korean pilot's head above the water after his plane skidded on take-off and overturned off the Yellow Sea beach. Lieutenant Chong Yong Chin, American-trained pilot, lost his life after receiving the honour of being the first South Korean pilot to be chosen for a mission over enemy territory.—(AP photo).

## Peking claims American planes again raid Chinese territory

London, September 23.

A New China News Agency message quoted tonight by Peking Radio alleged that American planes had "again raided and bombed Chinese territory, wounding three Chinese people."

The message said that an American aeroplane at 10 o'clock last night crossed the frontier from Korea and raided Lakosha village in Kian-tien district of Liaotung Province.

After the raid the plane flew Southward, the message added.

The message also claimed that another American plane flew to Antung at 0.15 p.m., and dropped 12 bombs in the North East part of the city.

Three people were wounded, including a child, and many houses were damaged, the report said.

This was the third occasion when United States planes have been accused of raiding Chinese territory and the second alleged raid on the town of Antung.

The Chinese Communist Government said on August 28 that three Chinese had been killed and nine suffered injuries when an American B-29 Superfortress bombed Antung in Manchuria, the previous day.

Antung is on the Western bank of the Yalu River, North Korea's frontier with Manchuria.

Mr. Warren R. Austin, U.S. delegate to the United Nations Security Council, in reply to previous charges, told the Council on September 14 that a U.S. fighter plane might have strafed a Manchurian airfield on August 27, adds Associated Press.

He recommended that the Council appoint a commission to make an on the spot investigation.

On September 12, Russia used her 49th veto in the Council to kill Mr. Austin's proposal. The Council then overwhelmingly rejected a Soviet demand that the United States be condemned for the alleged air attack.—Reuter and Associated Press.

### DEATH OF MARCHIONESS OF MILFORD HAVEN

London, September 24. The Dowager Marchioness of Milford Haven, mother of Earl Mountbatten and the Crown Princess Louise of Sweden, died today at Kensington Palace. She was 87.

She was a grand-daughter of Queen Victoria. Born on April 6, 1867, she, the Marchioness, was formerly Princess Victoria Alberta Elizabeth Maud Marie, the eldest daughter of the Grand Duke Ludwig IV of Hesse and of Princess Alice Maud Mary, second daughter of Queen Victoria.

In 1884, she married the first Marquess of Milford Haven, Louis Alexander, son of Prince Alexander of Hesse, who became a naturalised British subject on entering the Navy in 1889, and was First Sea Lord at the outbreak of the 1914-1918 war.

He retired from the post in view of the anti-German feeling against him and later changed his German name of Battenberg to the English equivalent of Mountbatten.

In 1917, he was created Marquess of Milford Haven and died in 1921.

The Marchioness had four children: Alice, Princess Andrew of Greece, mother of the Duke of Edinburgh; Lady Louise Mountbatten, who married the Crown Prince of Sweden in 1923; George, the second Marquess of Milford Haven, who died in 1939; and Vice-Admiral Lord Mountbatten of Burma.—Reuter.

Another Red atrocity. With the US 25th Division, September 24.

A front-line Radio report said the bodies of 20 American soldiers, each shot through the head, were discovered today by advancing negro troops.

Preliminary reports reaching divisional headquarters said "this is evidently another atrocity."

The victims were identified as from the 32nd Division Field Artillery Battalion which was cut off on the South Western front last month.

## U.S. regrets bombing mistake

London, September 23.

The U.S. Embassy in London tonight sent to the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, official regrets for the Korean incident in which casualties were caused among attacking British troops through misdirected support by American planes.

The message was signed by Mr. Julius Holmes, U.S. Minister temporarily in charge of the American Embassy in the absence of Ambassador Lewis Douglas.

Mr. Holmes told the Prime Minister: "I have been informed of reports that casualties have been suffered by the United Kingdom forces in Korea as a result of the tragic mistake in identity by their United States air support."

"Although we know that such errors are not always avoidable in the heat of battle, I want to express to you and the British people the deep sense of sorrow of the United States Government and its people over this tragedy."

"All America joins me in the deepest sympathy for the bereaved families of your gallant soldiers."

An official air force investigation into the tragic bombing and strafing of British troops by friendly aircraft on Saturday already is underway, an Air Force spokesman in Tokyo said, according to United Press.

The spokesman said the Fifth Air Force is "investigating fully" but said no other information was available at this time.—Associated Press and United Press.

### AIRLIFTED UK TROOPS IN JAPAN

Singapore, September 23.

The first airlifted troops from Britain to Japan for United Nations operations in Korea have reached an American base in Japan, the Far East Air Force Headquarters announced here tonight.

The men were quarantined for a few days because of an outbreak of tropical sore throats which sent a few of them into hospital for observation.—Reuter.

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## ATTLEE SPEAKS ON DANGER OF NEW TSARISM

Sheffield, September 23.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, said here today that the world was face to face with a new Tsarism more dangerous than the old. "We little thought that danger to world peace would come from people who profess to call themselves Socialists," he added.

"We have to face the fact and deal with the fact of a new and changing world," he told 3,000 Yorkshire Socialists at a meeting to celebrate the half-centenary of the British Labour Party.

"We are as idealistic as ever but we have to be realistic," Mr. Attlee declared.

"There is no greater mistake than to apply the diet of one epoch to another. That is one of the dangers of Marxism."

Karl Marx had applied his principles to a totally different era but they had been elaborated into a kind of bible and applied to totally different conditions.

"It is a terrible thing that after two world wars we should still be having to arm," Mr. Attlee said.

"None of us wanted it. But we cannot afford not to have sufficient armed strength to deter aggression."

### Tool and sword

"Today the challenge we have to meet is for the preservation of freedom in all its aspects."

"The greater the tension in the world the more difficult it is to preserve the essence of liberty and we today, in trying to build our co-operative Commonwealth—like those of old who were building a temple, have to work with a tool in one hand and a sword in the other."

"In this difficult world I believe profoundly that the answer to our difficulties is democratic Socialism, not totalitarianism or the old-fashioned capitalism—or even a modified capitalism."

Armaments were not the only answer to difficulties. They were necessary to provide the security under which they could continue the constructive work of building up peaceful foundations.

Mr. Attlee added: "We realised we had to build up some kind of a force in the world for the preservation of peace but that is only one side of our effort. The Atlantic Pact and Western Union are not just something like old military alliances."

"We are getting together with other nations and in these very days we are trying to work to raise the standard of life for all people within that circle of nations. We are trying to get rid of the things which make reversion to war easy."

### Labour's duty

Turning to home affairs Mr. Attlee said that he had had no doubt of the result in last week's crucial Parliamentary debate on the decision to nationalise the iron and steel industry when the Government triumphed by a majority of six votes.

Iron and steel control followed the nationalisation of coal, transport and other industries.

Mr. Attlee said that the Government had come to the country fairly on the question in two



MR. CLEMENT ATTLEE

elections. Iron and steel nationalisation was on the Statute Book. "It is our duty to carry it out and we will carry it out," he declared.

"I believe that common sense will prevail with the people in the iron and steel industry and that as in other industries they will come and work wholeheartedly in the national interest."

"Wherever there is a Labour Government the country would continue to be governed by Labour ideas."

Mr. Attlee said that he would not say when the next General Election would be held.

"They were living in dangerous times. There is much dangerous doctrine about," Mr. Attlee said.

"There are people in control of some countries who care very little for the lives of human beings. 'Wherever there is a Labour Government the country would continue to be governed by Labour ideas.'"

"The responsibility on each one of us as citizens is very heavy."

**Slim majority**  
Mr. Attlee indicated that the Government's slim majority at seven in Parliament is enough to keep Labour in power for some time to come, adds Associated Press.

Refusing to give ground to extreme left-wingers in his own party who have been clamouring for an early election, Mr. Attlee observed:

"Seven is not a very large majority, but it is a majority. I can see no reason whatever why we should be dictated to by the minority."

Labour's left-wingers, led by Mr. Aneurin Bevan, have been pressing for an early showdown at the polls in the hope it would yield a more impressive ruling majority for Labour.—Reuter and Associated Press.

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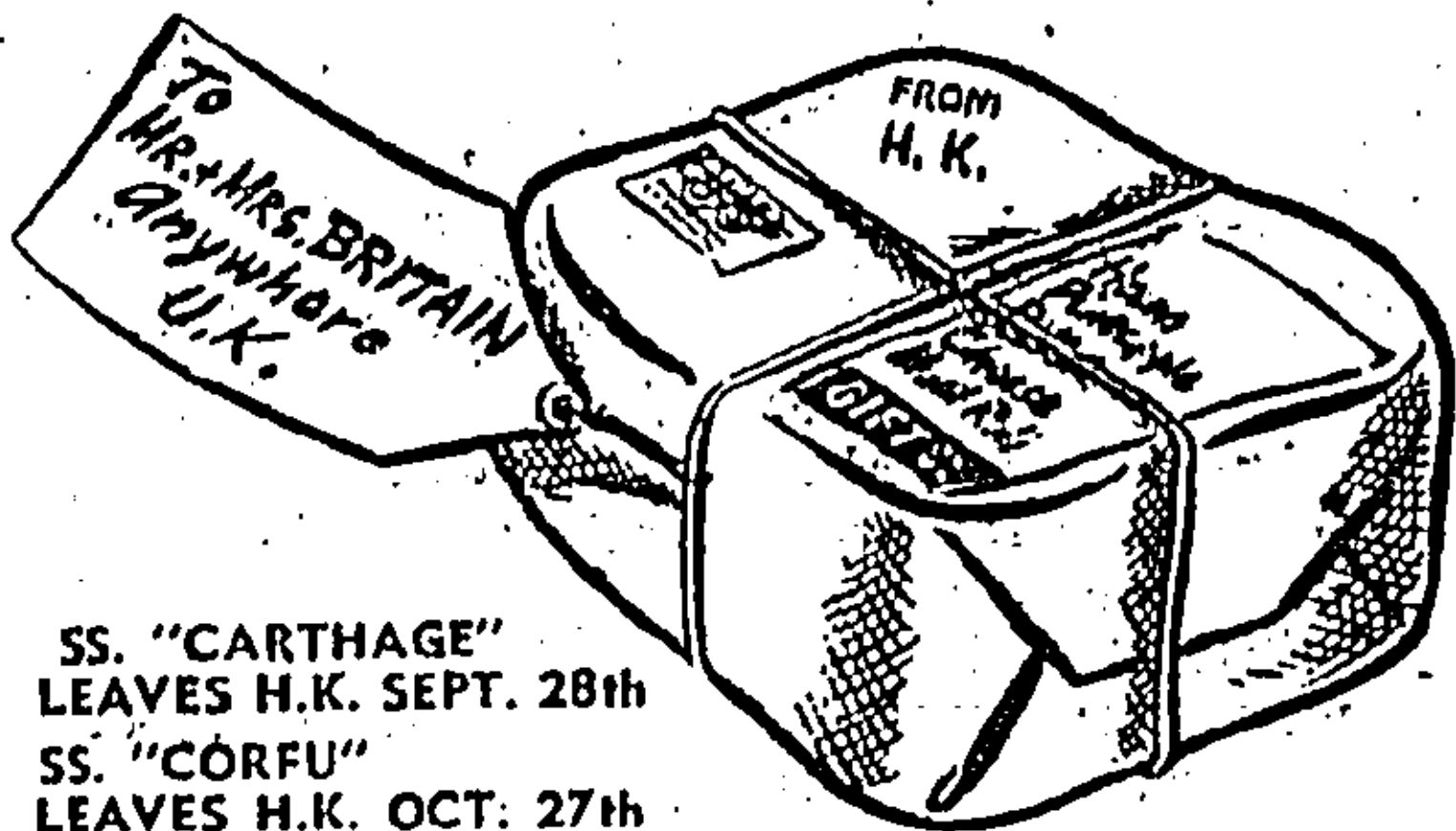
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## A hundred years ago

Tales told in  
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A hundred years ago there  
was great concern over the  
death in the Garrison of Hong  
Kong, and controversy raged  
about the cause. We quote an  
article from "The Friend of  
China and Hong Kong Gazette" on  
the food supplies for the  
troops.

The contract for provisioning  
the Garrison, made, entered into,  
and concluded sometime in the  
Spring of 1849, was renewed in  
the Spring of 1850 in order to  
enable the Contractor to remain  
in the Garrison for the year.  
Mr. Quong-hung, alias Cock-eye  
Ayow, the said Contractor, is at  
present on a visit to his ancestral  
home, and we have consequently  
been unable to obtain from him  
a true list of the prices of the  
different articles supplied.  
It is, however, as we are by  
repeated promises to have some  
say on the Commissariat arrange-  
ments before the Mail leaves, we  
are compelled to base our  
remarks, not on the actual prices,  
but, upon the rates stated in re-  
cent issues of the Mail, which are  
the prices at which articles are  
supplied to the Commissariat, are  
even lower than those here  
given; for instance:

Cock-eye Ayow is to supply  
upwards of 30 lbs. of Bread for  
\$1.

He is to supply between 10 and  
20 lbs. of Beef for \$1.

He supplies upwards of 3  
bottles of milk for \$1.

Sugar was tendered by others  
at 3 1/2 cents per lb., fowls 7 cents  
per lb.

(All poultry under one pound  
is totally rejected.)

There are many other articles  
enumerated in the Contract but  
those we have named are suffi-  
cient to dilate upon at the pre-  
sent. At Chusan, during the  
War, we remember having heard  
it said that the dreadful mortality  
in the ranks of the 26th was  
accounted for by "the food being  
so bad that it could not be  
eaten." When the 55th were  
dying so fast at West Point we  
heard the same allegation.

We will pass over the mor-  
tality among the 26th in 1849.  
It was a different species of sick-  
ness to that of the present year.  
We walked once through the hospi-  
tal at the time the epidemic  
was at its height, and from what  
we observed we inclined to the  
opinion that it was Cholera,

which then made such havoc.  
At all events the food was  
not so much talked of nor  
did we see a single loaf at  
each man's bed's head as we did  
the other day. But so away  
from 1849 to 1850 complaints  
regarding the food have been so  
general, that, taking them alto-  
gether, we can but conclude that  
the great bulk of the sickness  
arises from the inferior quality  
supplied. Whilst thousands of  
pounds have been usefully spent  
in the erection of Barracks and  
the completion of matters con-  
nected with the Garrison, tens of  
thousands have been totally lost  
to the Country by the want of a  
proper regimen. With the  
arrival of every regiment, new  
diseases have been brought into  
play. The ground granted to  
Acting Commissary Ramsay for a

Bakery and Slaughter-house in  
1842, was in the ensuing year  
not wanted by his successor, be-  
cause much better thought it  
might be to have only one  
kitchen, and to have only one  
cutter in the Bazaar—such as paid  
Cock-eye Ayow—or Long Tail  
Jenny—Chop-dollar-face Jack,  
or Jerimlah Fly-goose, so many  
thousands of dollars per men-  
sum. And so, because the Com-  
missariat Officer saved them-  
selves the trouble of making a  
few extra entries, the very best  
arrangement that was concocted  
for keeping the troops in health  
was altogether laid aside, and  
the feelings of the public out-  
raged by continued reports of  
deaths, (determinedly made  
known to them by the mutinous  
roll of the "Dead March In  
Snail," until the whole regiment  
was so reduced that neither after  
nor drummer was available).

Every feeling honourable to  
humanity was trampled upon, be-  
cause Cock-eye Ayow must have  
an opportunity of recovering his  
\$3,000. On two occasions we  
have noticed that good Bread  
was now supplied to the Hospital  
at 18 lbs. per \$1, and that every  
unfed infant was supplied with  
crumb of the "Olive Twist," they  
will, for more. It is a very  
general supposition that when a  
Newspaper Editor takes up what  
may be called, extraordinary  
views of any case, after pro-  
pounding them he supports his  
theory by every argument in his  
possession.

We confess to an idea that we  
are not better than others in this  
respect and it is very probable  
that many of our propositions in  
regard to keeping the Soldiers in  
health are deserving of no atten-  
tion whatever simply because we  
do not understand all the ins and  
outs of the question. But here is  
it is remarkable fact, which can-  
not be repudiated. We pointed  
out that the bread was bad and  
that good ought to be supplied.  
From that moment the sickness  
ceased, the mortality within a  
week changed from 20 to three,  
and those who a fortnight before  
were close upon the Valley of the  
Shadow of Death can now chase  
a Cockroach round the "Cor-  
mandel's" heels like jolly young  
plough boys.

Now if good bread has done  
all this, we ask the question in all  
simplicity. "Is Cock-eye Ayow  
to go on supplying any more sour  
stuff, and shall he make half man  
sick again?"

Understand, although Govern-  
ment bound Ayow down in two  
occurrences of \$2,500 each, and a  
sum of \$500 hard cash to be  
retained for the due performance  
of his side of the agreement,  
there was never a word said  
about Government liberty to buy  
as much as was necessary,  
from any one else; was neces-  
sarily not a single loaf may be  
taken from Ayow, and yet the  
contract stands good.

### TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

A Chinese woman, identified  
as Yu Yick, about 37 years old,  
was seriously injured yesterday  
afternoon when she was knocked  
down by a military lorry at the  
junction of Nathan and Peking  
Roads.

The lorry, driven by Gunner  
C. E. Nash, of the Royal Air  
Force, Pak Yuen Camp, Ping-  
pang, was travelling towards  
Tsing-tsin when the accident  
occurred. The woman, who was  
taken to the Kowloon Hospital  
with head injuries, was said to  
have darted out into the road  
in front of a stationery bus when  
she was knocked down.

### Y'S MEN'S CLUB LADIES NIGHT

The Y's Men's Club's Ladies  
Night will be held on Thursday,  
at the Casino Club at 7.30 p.m.  
Dr. P. Y. Yick will be the  
guest speaker. His subject will  
be "Whaling."

## Aberdeen eviction notice

Tomorrow, the Mid-Autumn  
Festival day, will see between  
800 and 700 persons homeless  
if the Government enforces  
the notice which was deliv-  
ered to the residents of 1-14  
Tung Shing Street, Aberdeen,  
on September 1.

The notice, which was issued  
by the Hong Kong Government  
last night, said that the whole block of  
houses were considered to be  
dangerous to the safety of the  
Public and were therefore con-  
demned.

The notice also said that the  
residents and shopkeepers in that  
block were to vacate the premises  
by September 20.

Most of the people living in  
that block of flats said yester-  
day that they had not been able  
to find any other place to move  
during the last three weeks.

A few single and unattached  
men had moved out, but the  
tenants and sub-tenants were still  
in residence.

They said that they hoped that  
the Government would find some  
means of helping them and that  
they had placed the matter in  
the hands of their solicitors.

However they added that they  
will elect several representatives  
to go to the Government to see the  
Secretary of Chinese Affairs to-  
day if possible and ask his aid in  
mediating with the Government  
regarding the eviction order.

## Cave-in at Gas Company compound

Considerable excitement was  
caused at the Hong Kong and  
China Gas Company's work-  
shop at West Point on Satur-  
day afternoon when the com-  
pound ground where more  
than 600 tons of coal was stored  
caved in, converting the  
compound into a lake.

The area of the cave-in was  
about 100 square feet and 15 feet  
deep. Hundreds of tons of coal  
also went in.

Fortunately at the time of the  
accident, few workmen were  
present and only three were  
known to have received minor  
injuries.

Firemen, who arrived soon  
after the accident, began pumping  
operations as the first step to re-  
cover the coal. Up to late yester-  
day afternoon they were still  
pumping.

An official of the Gas Company  
said that the cause of the cave-in  
is still not ascertained, and that  
an official statement will be issued  
as soon as possible.

The report said that Lo Chia-  
po was sentenced to death on  
September 22. He was charged  
as being the "brains" behind  
large-scale corruption operations  
in the Kwangtung Province.

Two of his alleged accomplices  
were each sentenced to five  
years' imprisonment. Warrants  
were issued for the arrest of three others  
who were alleged to have been  
involved in the corruption.

Lo and his accomplices were  
alleged to have misappropriated  
some J.M.P. \$200,000 worth of  
rice and to have engaged in  
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# PERSONALITY PARADE

The Registrar General

The Colony's Registrar Gen-  
eral is Mr. W. Aneurin Jones  
who arrived in Hong Kong in  
1937 in the Colonial Legal  
Service. Although Welsh on  
both sides of his family, he  
was born in Liverpool on  
February 8, 1904, as his father,  
who was a clergyman, estab-  
lished a number of churches  
of independent denomination  
there.

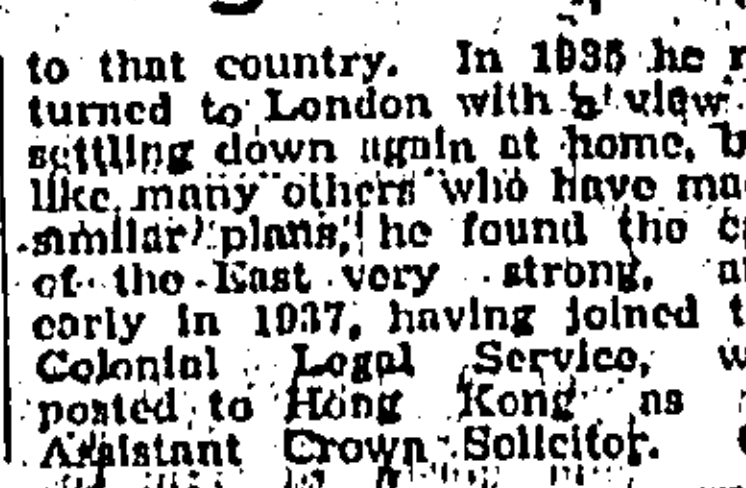
He was educated at the Liver-  
pool Institute and Liverpool  
University, later being articled to  
a firm of solicitors in Chester.

In 1925 at the age of 21, Mr.  
Aneurin Jones was admitted a  
solicitor and spent his first few  
years gaining experience with  
firms of solicitors in the West  
End and City of London.

Urged by a long-felt desire to  
see something of other countries,  
he accepted an appointment in  
Singapore in 1929 where he was  
admitted an advocate and solici-  
tor of the Supreme Court in the  
Straits Settlements.

A pleasant existence  
There the years unfolded gradu-  
ally and pleasantly, there being  
no wars or rumours of wars  
to rattle the composure of that  
time, and during the five years  
he spent in legal practice in  
Malaya he had considerable op-  
portunity for indulging his keen  
interest in swimming, riding and  
golf; he was also a member of  
the Royal Singapore Flying Club,  
which at that time enjoyed the  
distinction of being the only sea-  
plane flying club except South-  
ampton. In 1931 he qualified and  
obtained his "A" licence as a  
pilot.

He visited many parts of  
Malaya and grew very attached  
to that country. In 1935 he re-  
turned to London with a view to  
settling down again at home, but  
like many others who have made  
similar plans, he found the call  
of the East very strong, and  
early in 1937, having joined the  
Colonial Legal Service, was  
posted to Hong Kong as an  
Assistant Crown Solicitor.



Mr. W. Aneurin Jones

arrival he was appointed Assis-  
tant Land Officer, and Deputy  
Registrar of Marriages.

In October 1938, he was at-  
tached to the Treasury as legal ad-  
viser, later becoming Superin-  
tendent of Inland Revenue, Pa-  
tents Duty Commissioner and Col-  
lector of Stamp Revenue.

He was married in December,  
1938 in Singapore, and being in  
Hong Kong at the outbreak of  
war with Japan in December,  
1941, he and his wife, who during  
the period of the hostilities were  
both actively engaged in the Air  
Raid Precaution Service in the

Colony, were interned in Stanley  
Camp until September 1945.

After four months' recupera-  
tion leave in Australia, he was  
called back to take charge again  
of the Estate Duty Office here,  
and later, being appointed Land  
Officer upon the retirement from  
that office of Mr. T. S. Whyte-  
Smith.

New department  
About this time it was decided  
to form a new department to  
amalgamate and centralise into  
one unit various legal offices in  
the Supreme Court, and to this  
end the Registrar General's de-  
partment was inaugurated, in-  
corporating into one unit the  
Land Office, Registry of Com-  
panies, Marriage Registry, Trade  
Marks and Patents Registry,  
Official Receiver in Bankruptcy  
and Official Trustee.

This department came into  
being through the enactment of  
a special Ordinance with effect  
from April 1, 1949, and Mr.  
Aneurin Jones who is the first  
Registrar General appointed  
under that Ordinance, has an  
expert staff of three qualified  
solicitors as Deputy Registrars  
General, each of whom controls a  
section of the department.

He finds that the time required  
for the performance of his pre-  
sent duties affords him compara-  
tively little opportunity to engage  
in his former outdoor pastimes,  
but his leisure hours are fully  
taken up in the garden of his  
home on the Peak.

The Registrar General ex-  
presses a firm faith in the future  
of this Colony and feels that as  
time goes on, an increasing num-  
ber of responsible posts will  
come to be assumed by locally  
domesticated officers, to the benefit  
of the Colony through a closer  
understanding of its needs.

## Government confiscation of gold

Government confiscated 7,413  
taels of gold during August, it  
has been officially announced.

The August report of the  
Department of Commerce and  
Industry said that the methods  
of smuggling favoured were  
concealment within the body and  
fashioning of gold into crude  
bracelets, rings, watch straps and  
bells.

There were 228 arrests for  
gold smuggling.

The quantity of raw opium  
seized showed an increase over  
the previous month.

In one case alone, 884 taels  
were found by the police. This  
consignment came from Bangkok  
for local consumption.

Twenty-eight ounces of heroin  
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## Mid-Autumn Festival

Tomorrow will be a red-letter day for Chinese of  
the old school in Hong Kong and rich and  
poor will take time off to celebrate the Mid-  
Autumn Festival, which takes precedence  
over everything else.

It will climax the hectic preparations during the  
past weeks for one of the three major Chinese  
festivals which falls on every 15th day of the  
eighth lunar month—this year Tuesday, Sep-  
tember 26.

Since early this month, most  
of the Colony's main thorough-  
fares both on the Island and  
Kowloon have been turned into  
"fair sites" with confectionery  
stores decorating their pre-  
mises with paper lanterns,  
mammoth coloured posters and  
mechanical "Punch and Judy"  
booths.

Housewives have been buy-  
ing stores for the symbolic  
foodstuffs and articles—the  
"moon" cakes, joss papers, in-  
cense and (not worshipping  
pamphlets)—to celebrate the  
occasion.

To cope with the expected  
last-minute rush today, many  
stores will stay open late.

Markets, confectioneries and  
food stalls have been crowded  
with shoppers purchasing chick-  
ens, fruits, cakes, alcohol and  
vegetables for the special "family  
dinner" of the year tomorrow.

It is the one night when every  
member of the family is supposed  
to be present at the dinner table  
to participate in the eating of the  
moon cakes which in Chinese  
eyes are symbolic of perfection  
and happiness because they re-  
semble a full moon, which is be-  
lieved to attain that shape to-  
morrow night once in the year.

Generally, the social aspects of  
the festival are the attractions  
which have induced not only the  
"dilettantes" but also many of the  
modern generation to observe the  
"Moon Festival".



# DEMAND IN RED CHINA FOR FOREIGN GOODS

## Reminders

### Today

Crown Land Auction, PWD office, 3 p.m.  
Exhibition of Chinese Paintings by Prof. Chao Shuo-an, Hotel Cecil, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
Union Jack Club, tombola, 7.30 p.m.  
Whist Drive, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

### Coming events

**TOMORROW**  
NAAFI Club, Kowloon, table tennis tournament, 8 p.m.  
Bridge Drive, European YMCA, 8 p.m.  
Cheers Services Club, informal dance, 7.30 p.m.  
Nine Dragons Services Club, whist drive (cash prizes) 8 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY

Tue II meeting, 50, Maedonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.  
Urban Council meeting, GPO Bldg., 4.15 p.m.  
NAAFI Club, Kowloon, Darts Tournament, 8 p.m.  
Union Jack Club, whist drive, 7.45 p.m.  
Nine Dragons Services Club, finals of boxing championships, 8 p.m.  
HK Art Club, monthly exhibition and Xmas Cards, St. John's Cathedral hall, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

## Djelfa wins Princess Elizabeth Stakes

Ascot, September 23.  
M. Marcel Boussac's Djelfa won the Princess Elizabeth Stakes, run over five furlongs, here today. Major J. H. Paine's La Dautelle was second, and Captain Arnold Will's Safehold came third. A field of 10 ran.

The betting was: 5 to 4 on Djelfa, 100 to 8 La Dautelle, 9 to 4 Safehold.

Djelfa won the race by one and a half lengths, with four lengths separating the second and third.

In the Knights' Royal Stakes, run over one mile, Mr. James V. Rank's Hyperbole beat Lord Rosebery's Peter Flower to take first place. Mr. R. Melhagge's Princess Trudy was third in a field of five runners.

The betting was: 11 to 4 Hyperbole, 10 to 1 Peter Flower, 8 to 1 Princess Trudy.  
Hyperbole won from Peter Flower by three lengths, with a neck separating the second and third runners. Wat Tyler did not run.—Reuter.

### Victory for Winnie

Ascot, England, September 23.  
Winston Churchill's grey four-year-old, Colanist II, scored his fourth straight victory by winning the Kennelton Palace Stakes today.  
Colanist II, bred in France, started a 2-1 favourite in the £1,000 added event and won by a length.  
Pachademis was second and White Rose, another French-bred owned by Marcel Boussac, came in third.  
The Conservative Party leader bought Colanist II last year.—Associated Press.

## MAN SHOT BY ARMED ROBBERS

A man was shot early yesterday morning when he was waylaid by two men in Waterloo Road near the railway bridge.  
The wounded man, Li Chung, aged 27, of 52 Jordan Road, second floor, was shot in the back when he offered resistance to the men after having been relieved of his cash and watch.  
The men escaped after wounding Li who was taken to the Kowloon Hospital where his condition was reported to be not serious.

## WOMAN WORKER INJURED

A woman worker, Hung Chi-wan, of the Li Sang Towel Factory, Kiuksiang Street, Shamshuipo, was seriously injured yesterday morning when her hair caught in a machine.  
The woman was taken to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from a serious scalp wound.

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The Chinese Communists are hungry for foreign goods. So much so that they have unofficially told Hong Kong shippers flatly: "We want full holds, and that all the time," it was reliably learned yesterday.

This Communist desire for foreign goods is dictated by two considerations: (1) For the first time in the nation's history, they have a surplus of self-earned foreign exchange; (2) Unlike Midas they do not want to hoard. They want to buy heavily to fulfil their industrialisation schemes.

But the Chinese Communists are finding few if any foreign sellers. Western Powers who can sell, already have too full books or are restricted by export bans arising from the Korean War and the world political situation.

Foreign exchange accumulated in China has been earned through overseas remittances and the export of Chinese goods. One competent observer believed that Communist China has now such

quantities of foreign currencies as to discourage exportable China products now easily available in such places as Shanghai, but which the Communists do not seem keen at all to relinquish.

Another indication of Communist China's wealth in foreign exchange is the fact that recently the value of the Yen Min Piao has been markedly raised against foreign monies generally.

This state of affairs is bound to be adversely felt by shippers operating coastal shipping service. The departure of the certain British ship which left port for Shanghai four days ago was postponed for almost a week while awaiting cargo here. The agents of another foreign vessel which has been plying regularly between Hong Kong and Shanghai during the past month was reported to be considering putting the vessel on another route.

## Dai Rees wins Championship for fourth time

Carnoustie, Scotland, September 23.

Dai Rees, the holder, won the British Professional Match-Play Golf Championship for the fourth time here today.

He beat Frank Jowle, of Lee's Hall, by seven and six in the 36-hole final. Rees was two up at 18 holes after Jowle had been two up at the seventh.

The game took a remarkable turn at the 11th, where Rees held a long putt to halve and then took three holes in a row to become two up—a lead which he held to the halfway stage.

### Perfect fours

After the interval, the first three holes were halved in perfect fours with both men in turn playing fine shots.

Jowle was the first to make a bad slip when he dropped his third into a bunker at the 22nd and Rees won the hole to increase his lead to three. Rees took the next, and although Jowle halved the 25th Rees also won the next two.

Jowle got a hole back at the 26th but after a half at the next he hooked his drive into the rough and Rees won by seven and six. Rees took the first prize of £750 and Jowle's share was £250.—Reuter.

## Japanese are eager to conclude peace treaty

Atlanta, Georgia, September 23.  
Chikao Honda, President of the Mainichi newspapers, said today that the Japanese people are very eager to conclude a peace treaty with the United States and other Allied countries as soon as possible.

This did not mean that the Japanese had any desire to get entirely out of American hands. The Japanese certainly want independence in home administration and want freedom if possible in economic matters, but they recognise that in security matters they must look to the United States and the United Nations.

Mr. Honda is one of the party of foreign newspaper editors currently touring the United States under the auspices of the Society of Editors and the American Press Institute. They are exchanging ideas on freedom of information and are considering the possibility of establishing an international Press Institute.

The party arrived here on Friday after visiting Washington. Asked whether he considered it necessary to rearm Japan, Mr. Honda said Japan needs a force strong enough to maintain internal security and to be ready for any sort of international strife.

### Dependence on UN

In the event of threats arising from outside, Japan must depend on the United Nations. The Japanese progress had been made in regulating Japan's pre-war markets, but not enough yet to be considered anything more than a beginning. Japan was carrying on trade under restrictions and suffered from lack of shipping and raw materials. Progress was very slow, but there were signs of great future progress, since a great deal of demand exists for Japanese products. The Japanese silk trade had not returned to its pre-war level, but it is gradually recovering. Japanese silk would not be able to compete with nylon in the United States stocking market, but that there would be a market for Japanese silk in dresses, curtains, and other such items.

## Guerillas in Kwangsi

A gradual unification of guerillas in Kwangsi province under the designation of "Kwangsi Anti-Communist National Salvation Army" is in progress, according to a Nanning report in yesterday's independent "Wah Kiu Yat Po".

The report said that notices and proclamations posted up showed that the "Army" is under the command of General Pui Chung-shi, former Commander-in-Chief of Central China and now in Formosa.

## New Method Tutorial School Swimming Meet

A large gathering attended the first Annual Swimming Meet of the New Method English Tutorial School held at the swimming pool of Mr. Lam Hou-tak at No. 5 Broadwood Road yesterday.

Ng Nin, the well-known local swimmer and Miss Wong Yiu-sang gave a swimming exhibition. Henry Wong won the individual championship with 15 points followed closely by Kenneth Wong with 12 points.

At the conclusion, Mr. Lam Hou-tak presented the prizes to the successful contestants.

### "A" Division

50 Yards Free-style: 1. Kenneth Wong, 2. Henry Wong. Time, 25 secs.

50 Yards Back-stroke: 1. William Sun, 2. Charbelin Law. Time, 35 secs.

100 Yards Breast-stroke: 1. Henry Wong, 2. Allen Ng. Time, 1 min 6 secs.

100 Yards Back-stroke: 1. Henry Wong, 2. Allen Ng. Time, 1.32 secs.

Diving: 1. Tommy Chow, 2. Edward Yu.

200 Yards Free-style: 1. Kenneth Wong, 2. Henry Wong. Time, 2.28 secs.

200 Yards Breast-stroke: 1. Charles Chan, 2. Edward Yu. Time, 2.22 secs.

150 Yards Individual Medley: 1. Richard Chan (one entrant).

Invitation Relay Race: 1. New Methodist English Tutorial School, 2. Wah Yan A.M.

### "B" Division

50 Yards Free-style: 1. Jimmy Lee, 2. Richard Chan. Time 33 secs.

50 Yards Breast-stroke (B1): 1. Roger Yim, 2. David Chan. Time 44.6 secs.

50 Yards Breast-stroke (B2): 1. Schubert Shih, 2. Peter Kwok. Time 42.7 secs.

100 Yards Breast-stroke (B1): 1. James Lee, 2. Alex So. Time, 1.27.7/8 secs.

100 Yards Breast-stroke (B2): 1. Edward Yu, 2. Thomas Yan. Time, 1.34 secs.

50 Yards Free-style ("C" Division): 1. Stephen Cheong. Time 40.8 secs.

### RICE RATION

A total of 1,744,818 of Hong Kong's estimated population of 2,500,000 are on rice ration cards according to the August monthly report of the Department of Commerce and Industry. Government imported 15,631 tons of rice in the period under review. The off-take of Government rice fell further to 7,413 tons, only 43 per cent of the ration figure.

This, said the report, is probably attributable in part to commercial imports from Siam (4,321 tons) and to the resumption of rice consignments from Kwangtung province.

The new Government godowns built on the Mainland to store about 18,000 tons of rice were completed and taken over during the month.



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## Lecturer comments on indoctrination by Chinese Reds

"The converts never quite forget that, however thick and soft may be the velvet gloves, the iron hand is still there," said Mr. L. Tomkinson, missionary of the Christian Literature Society of Shanghai who arrived here two weeks ago, when he commented on the Communist indoctrination in China in a lecture on Chinese thought before the Arm-Chair Group at the European YMCA last night.

Mr. Tomkinson, who came to the Colony by way of Tientsin and who is returning to England on retirement after more than 35 years as a missionary in the Far East, said that people who attend the Communist indoctrination classes are encouraged to raise questions and objections and that those who raise them are often met with courtesy but that in the end all present are expected "to be convinced."

Mr. Tomkinson continued: "I do not know what happens to any persistent sceptic, but after many hours of such discussion, lasting to the small hours of the morning, resistance to the new light tends to be feeble."

Shortly after leaving Shanghai I bought a little book with the intriguing title, 'How My Thought has Been Changed'. It consists of reprints of articles by prominent Chinese in various walks of life, describing how their thought has been changed since the liberation. Two are by an eminent Chinese scholar whose writings on Chinese philosophy and its history that I, like many others, have long admired for their thorough and objective scholarship.

"I have been told that one of these essays was re-written four times before it was approved in its final form there remaining nothing that should offend Communist orthodoxy. He now recognises that his previous writings contained nothing but errors. All that came before Marx and Lenin were thieves and robbers."

### Mo-ti's system

Reviewing Chinese thought from the time of Confucius to the present time, Mr. Tomkinson said that for some time the most serious rival to Confucianism was the system propounded by Mo-ti, who was often being described by critics as the most Christian-like in his teaching.

"However, we cannot stop here to consider his teaching on reciprocal love as the basis of human relationship—or the criticism of human conduct, or of his denunciations of aggressive warfare and of fatalism. What is relevant to our topic is his chapters on 'Uniting Upwards' in which he definitely urged the unification of thought and teaching on accepting the rulings and decision of the political superior.

"It is true that he has other chapters propounding his views that these superior should be the best and most able persons in the community. But there can be little doubt that those chapters helped to mould the thought of some of those who were most contemptuous of the rest of his teaching."

"Writers, thinkers, etc. had for them no real function for there were only two avocations of use to the state, those of the

farmer and the soldier. The life of the common people in peace time should be so full of hardship that they would welcome war, basing on it as a hungry wolf at a piece of meat. They expounded their views with some elaboration and considerable literary ability in some cases.

"They made lists of the mag-gons which would destroy the state, these included benevolence, morality, culture of any sort and of course political discussion or, indeed, any discussion. They showed sometimes a caustic humour as when one remarked that it was true enough, as some of the philosophers they condemned and maintained, that 'all men are brothers'. However, only the law enforced by military policy could make them treat each other as brothers."


### KMT efforts

Of the Kuomintang's efforts towards the standardisation of thought in China, the speaker said they centred in the San Min Chu I, or "Three Principles of Sun Yat-sen."

"I managed to get hold of a copy about 1926, while it was still banned in the Yangtze Valley and I have never felt inclined to modify my comment at that time, namely that it would be as absurd to try to make a collection of the election speeches of Lloyd George into a standard system of thought as this essentially similar collection of articles and speeches is."

Dealing with thought of present day China, Mr. Tomkinson said: "Much has been made in some circles of the declaration of freedom of religion. This, however, should not be misunderstood. It seems fairly clear that what is meant is freedom of cult, that is freedom of cult practices. It is assumed that the people must be united and, to be united, must ultimately be united in thought."

"No doubt for the time being individuals may continue to be capitalists and to believe too much about their unexpressed thought would involve more trouble than it is worth. But only one type of thought can be given full facilities for expression, and ultimately, it is to be expected only one may be expressed and that is Mao Li Chu-i, or Marxist-Leninism."



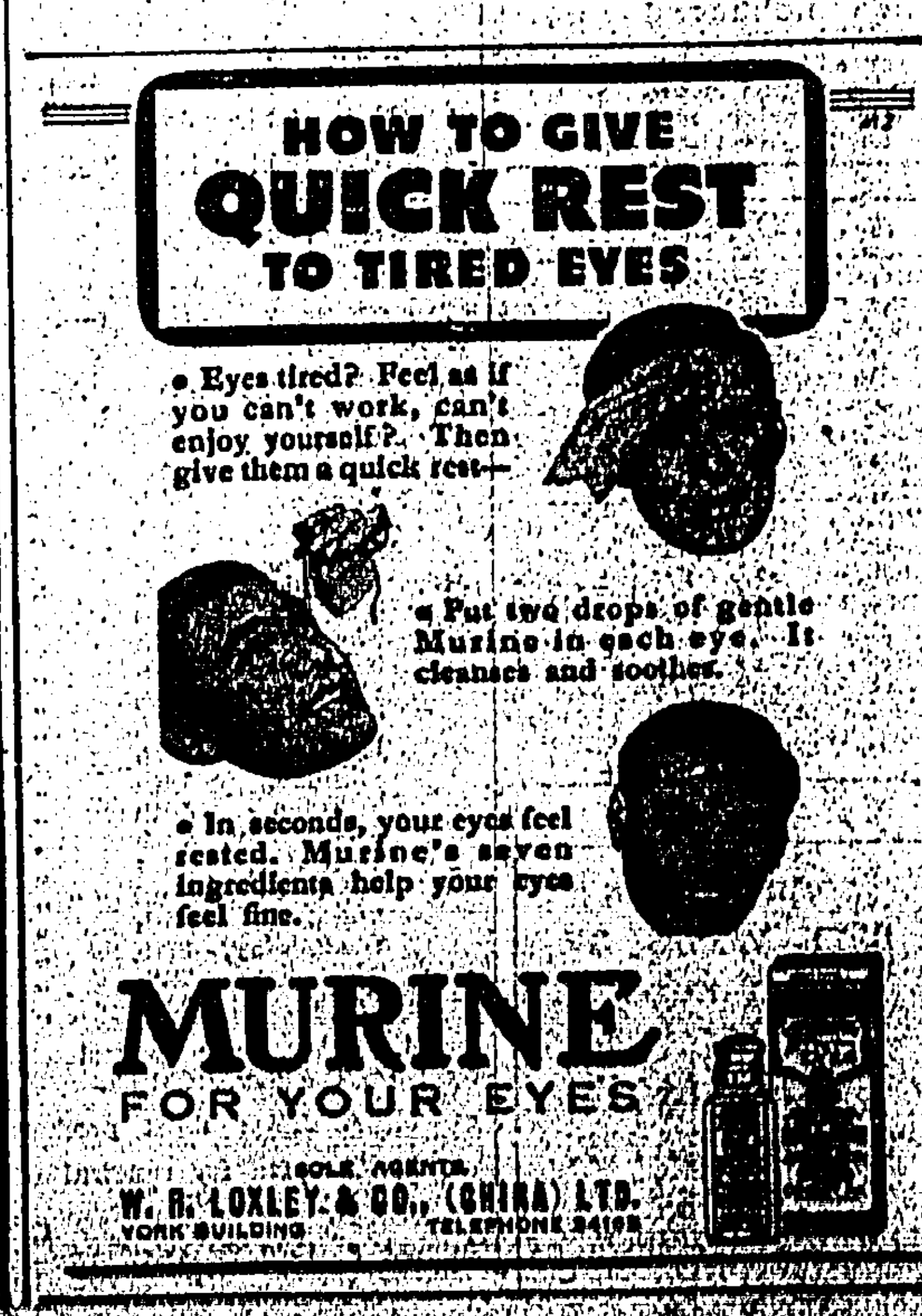
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Replies for the following Box Nos. are awaiting collection:  
No. 615.

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## NOTICE

Tenders are invited for the purchase of the following RASC supplies which are offered for sale:

At No. 1 Base Supply Depot RASC Shamshui.

Flour—25 tons (surplus to Army Requirements).

Tender forms may be obtained from HQ, RASC, Whitefield Barracks, KOWLOON between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. daily.

(a) The flour will be open for inspection between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily on production of a tender form. The fact of tendering will be taken as an acknowledgment of the tenderer having inspected the flour and of his having ascertained the approximate quantity and its condition.

(b) Offers are to be made for the flour now lying at No. 1 Base Supply Depot RASC, Shamshui, and the quantity stated in the schedule is only approximate. No liability will be accepted by the vendor for any discrepancy between the approximate and the actual quantity, since the Purchaser will be deemed to have availed himself of the opportunity for inspection.

Tenders will be received up to 11 a.m. on Thursday, 6th October 50, and must be deposited at HQ, RASC, Whitefield Barracks, KOWLOON in sealed covers marked "TENDER FOR PURCHASE OF RASC SUPPLIES".

Earnest Money amounting to HK\$100/- will be paid to the Command Cashier, Victoria Barracks, HONG KONG, and his receipt will be attached to the tender. No tender will be considered unless accompanied by this receipt. This money will be refunded after the successful tender has been accepted.

The Secretary of State for War does not bind himself to accept the highest or any tender.

(Sgd.) T. H. PHILLIPS,  
Lieutenant-Colonel,  
Assistant Director  
Supplies and  
Transport,  
HONG KONG.

September 24, 1950.

## POLICE NOTICE

ANNUAL LICENSING OF DRIVER FOR PERIOD  
1st JULY, 1950 TO 30th JUNE, 1951

1. Date of Commencing of Licensing.  
Licensing will commence on Monday, August 28 at 9.15 a.m. and will continue daily between the hours of 9.15 a.m. and 12.00 a.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.  
Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays excepted.
2. Place of Licensing.  
All annual driving licensing will take place at Central Police Station.
3. Order of Licensing.  
Licences will be renewed in "blocks" of 1200 per day commencing with Nos. 1-1200 on Monday, August 28 as follows:

| Monday, 28th August   | Nos. 1 — 1200 |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| Tuesday, 29th "       | 1201 — 2400   |
| Wednesday, 30th "     | 2401 — 3600   |
| Thursday, 31st "      | 3601 — 4800   |
| Friday, 1st September | 4801 — 6000   |
| Monday, 4th "         | 6001 — 7200   |
| Tuesday, 5th "        | 7201 — 8400   |
| Wednesday, 6th "      | 8401 — 9600   |
| Thursday, 7th "       | 9601 — 10800  |
| Friday, 8th "         | 10801 — 12000 |
| Monday, 11th "        | 12001 — 13200 |
| Tuesday, 12th "       | 13201 — 14400 |
| Wednesday, 13th "     | 14401 — 15600 |
| Thursday, 14th "      | 15601 — 16800 |
| Friday, 15th "        | 16801 — 18000 |
| Monday, 18th "        | 18001 — 19200 |
| Tuesday, 19th "       | 19201 — 20400 |
| Wednesday, 20th "     | 20401 — 21600 |
| Thursday, 21st "      | 21601 — 22800 |
| Friday, 22nd "        | 22801 — 24000 |
| Monday, 25th "        | 24001 — 25200 |
| Tuesday, 26th "       | 25201 — 26400 |
| Wednesday, 27th "     | 26401 — 27600 |
| Thursday, 28th "      | 27601 — 28800 |
| Friday, 29th "        | 28801 — 30000 |

4. Drivers are requested in their own interests to attend on the day allotted.
  5. A driver must produce his existing licence.
  6. The fee for renewal of a driving licence is \$9.00.
- COMMISSIONER OF POLICE  
August 9, 1950.

## Western defence talks

New York, September 23. The Foreign and Defence Ministers of France, Britain and the United States today completed a two-day discussion of the most effective means of building an integrated defence force for Europe.

A communique issued at the close of the morning meeting indicated that progress had been made towards agreement between the three countries on the means of building up the new integrated defence force. It said that the exchange of views between the six Ministers would assist the three Foreign Ministers in further discussions in the North Atlantic Council next week. The communique did not reveal the conclusions reached by the Ministers. It said that during their meeting the Ministers discussed the proposals considered by the North Atlantic Council last week concerning the most effective means of protecting their common purpose to building an adequate, integrated defence force for Europe.

"This exchange of views with the Defence Ministers will assist the three Foreign Ministers in further discussions in the North Atlantic Council next week. In the meantime, the six Ministers agreed to make no further statements concerning their meeting," the communique added.—Reuter.

## Germans asked to sabotage Europe defence

Berlin, September 24. Communist-controlled East Germany has called on all Germans to sabotage wherever possible Western Europe's programme to arm against Russian expansion. The Soviet zone state's council of ministers last night urged both East and West Germans to "undermine national resistance" to Western Europe's defence plan. They accused the Big Three of trying to "grab" West Germany by drawing the territory into the Atlantic Pact ring.

## CARPENTIER ON S'PORE VISIT

Singapore, September 23. General Marcel Carpentier, French Commander-in-Chief in Indo-China, will arrive in Singapore by air from Saigon on Monday, it was officially announced here today. He will return the call recently made upon him by General Sir John Harding, Commander-in-Chief of the British Far Eastern Land Forces, and Air Marshal Francis Fogarty, Commander-in-Chief of the British Far East Air Force.

## DEATH SENTENCES IN BUDAPEST

Budapest, September 23. A Hungarian Workers Court today sentenced to death Pal Szita and János Imreh, general manager and sales manager of the State-owned meat concern, for black market offences. Six other officials of the organization received prison terms ranging from 10 to 15 years. They were charged with disposing of 250 tons of meat on the black market at a profit of four million forints (\$1,800).

## CZECHS SEIZE U.S. MAGAZINE

Pris, September 23. The Government of Czechoslovakia has confiscated the May and June issues of the National Geographic magazine after refusing to deliver mailed copies to Czech subscribers, post office officials disclosed today. No reason for the action was given by the Czech authorities, they stated. They simply notified the U.S. postal officials that the two issues were "riched circulation" in accordance with present laws.

The May issue included an article entitled "Japan tries freedom's road" and the June magazine one headed "Roaming in Korea, South of the Iron Curtain."—Reuter.

## LUCKNOW CLASHES

New Delhi, September 23. One man was killed during clashes between Hindus and Muslims in Lucknow today, during the celebration of the Muslim festival of Eid-ul-Fitr. Several Hindus and Muslims were stabbed and molested. The trouble arose over the fact that a cow, a sacred animal to Hindus, was found in a mosque. The cow was killed and its carcass was thrown into the Ganges.

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PUBLIC HOLIDAY 26th Sept. 1950.  
HOURS OF BUSINESS.

## BUTCHERY &amp; PROVISIONS DEPARTMENTS

All Branches & Windsor House  
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DAIRY DEPARTMENT  
Lower Albert Road  
East Point Branch  
Kowloon Branch  
Windsor House Annex  
Peak Branch  
9.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.

## COLD STORAGE DEPARTMENT

East Point  
Connaught Road, Central  
Canton Road, Kowloon  
9.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.

## ICE SALES

East Point  
Kansu Street, Kowloon  
USUAL HOURS

Lower Albert Road  
Peak Branch  
Pottinger Street  
Nathan Road, Kowloon  
8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.

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## GENERAL HOLIDAY

TUESDAY, 26th SEPTEMBER, 1950

Patrons are advised that our Main Store and Kowloon Branches will be closed all day on Tuesday, 26th September, 1950.

Bread & Cakes Will be on sale between 9 and 11 a.m. in the vestibule of

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB  
NOTICE TO MEMBERS  
EIGHTH RACE MEETING

Saturday, 7th and Monday 9th October, 1950.

The first race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m. on the 1st Day. On the 2nd Day the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m. on the 2nd Day. The time interval is 15 minutes (1.30 p.m.) on the 2nd Day.

There are 10 races on the 1st Day and 12 races on the 2nd Day (22 in all).

Through tickets at \$44 each may be obtained at the Comptroller's Office of the Treasury, 1st floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the "Kwongtung Handicap" scheduled to be run on 7th October, 1950.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Offices at Telephone House, non-members are requested to purchase their tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the "Kwongtung Handicap" at the Club's Branch Offices at:

5, D'Aguiar Street, Hong Kong  
382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

The sale of tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the "Kwongtung Handicap" at the Branch Offices will close at 4 p.m. and at the Treasury Comptroller's Office, Telephone House, at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, 6th October, 1950.

THERE WILL BE NO SPECIAL CASH SWEEP ON THE LAST RACE.

## MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of badges or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and Club Room at \$10.00 per day including tax, for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary or the written or personal introduction of a member. Each member is responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and the payment of all charges in connection with the introduction of visitors to the Club. Badges admitting to Members Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasury Comptroller's Office will close at 10 a.m. on both days. The Secretary's Office will close at 11.45 a.m. the 1st Day and at 10 a.m. on the 2nd Day. Both Offices at 1st floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of times will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27511).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

## PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3.00 each day including tax for all persons including ladies and is payable at the Gate.

BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN ETC. WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PREMISES OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB DURING THE RACE MEETING. U.S. AND FOREIGN CURRENCY WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

SERVANTS' PASSBOOKS—Servants' passbooks will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with their attendants and to have their names on the passbooks. Holders of passbooks must keep their attendants and must remain in their employments.

BY ORDER,  
S. A. SLEAP,  
Secretary.

## CARNIVAL By Dick Turner



"In consideration of your long service, Beamish, we'd like to present you with this little token from the office. We've noticed you've had your eye on it for the last few years!"

## BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

"The Authority on Auctioneering"

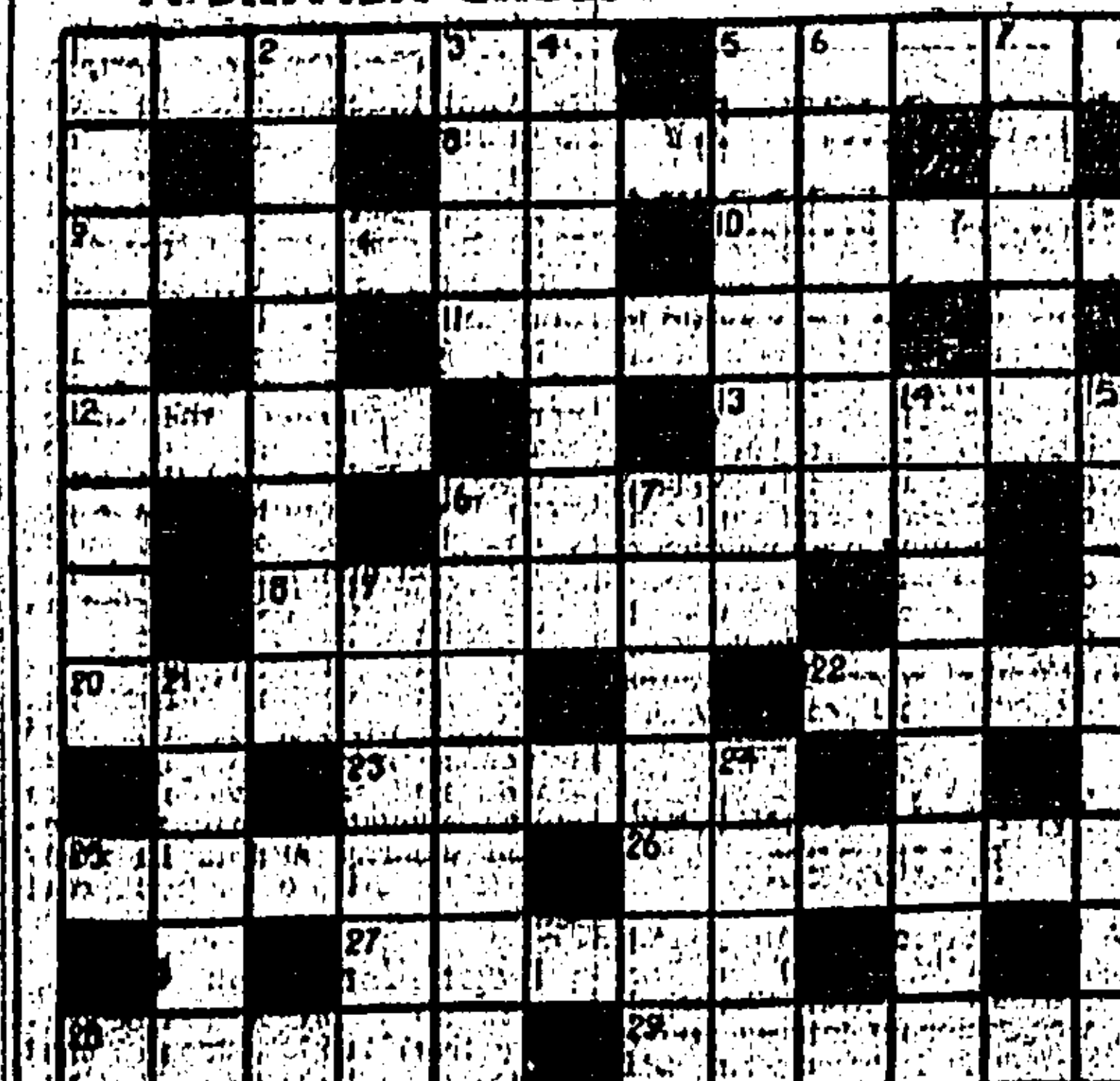
## DOUBLE SHOWS HIM UP

ONE FAVOURITE device of the highly competitive tricky bidder is making a call in the suit which he feels sure is the opponents' best, in the hope of steering them into some less favourable contract. A pet place for this tactic is when his partner's opening bid has been followed by a takeout double, and the preference time for it is when his aide is not vulnerable but his opponents are. When you are the partner of the doubler, it is your job to show up the fancy bidder if you have the cards for it, by making a business double.

East let that throw him on to the wrong track, resulting in his side playing in a minor suit, which produced 50 fewer points, losing the hand. West might have saved the day with a No Trump call after hearing East's free bid in diamonds, but when he raised the diamonds his side was licked. East had enough to double the 2-Hearts in view of what his partner had shown. Follow the course of the probable bidding after that and you will see that East-West would have been virtually sure to end up okay.

Tomorrow's Problem  
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H 10 6 5 2  
H A Q J 10 9 8 4 3  
C None  
S A J 9 8  
H A K J 5 4 2  
D K 7  
C Q J 9 8 3  
S 7 6 5  
H Q 8 4  
D 6 5 2  
C K 10 5 4  
(Dealer: East, North-South vulnerable.)  
What bidding would you favour on this extremely distributed deal?

## A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across  
1 Separation  
2 Blackhead  
3 Port  
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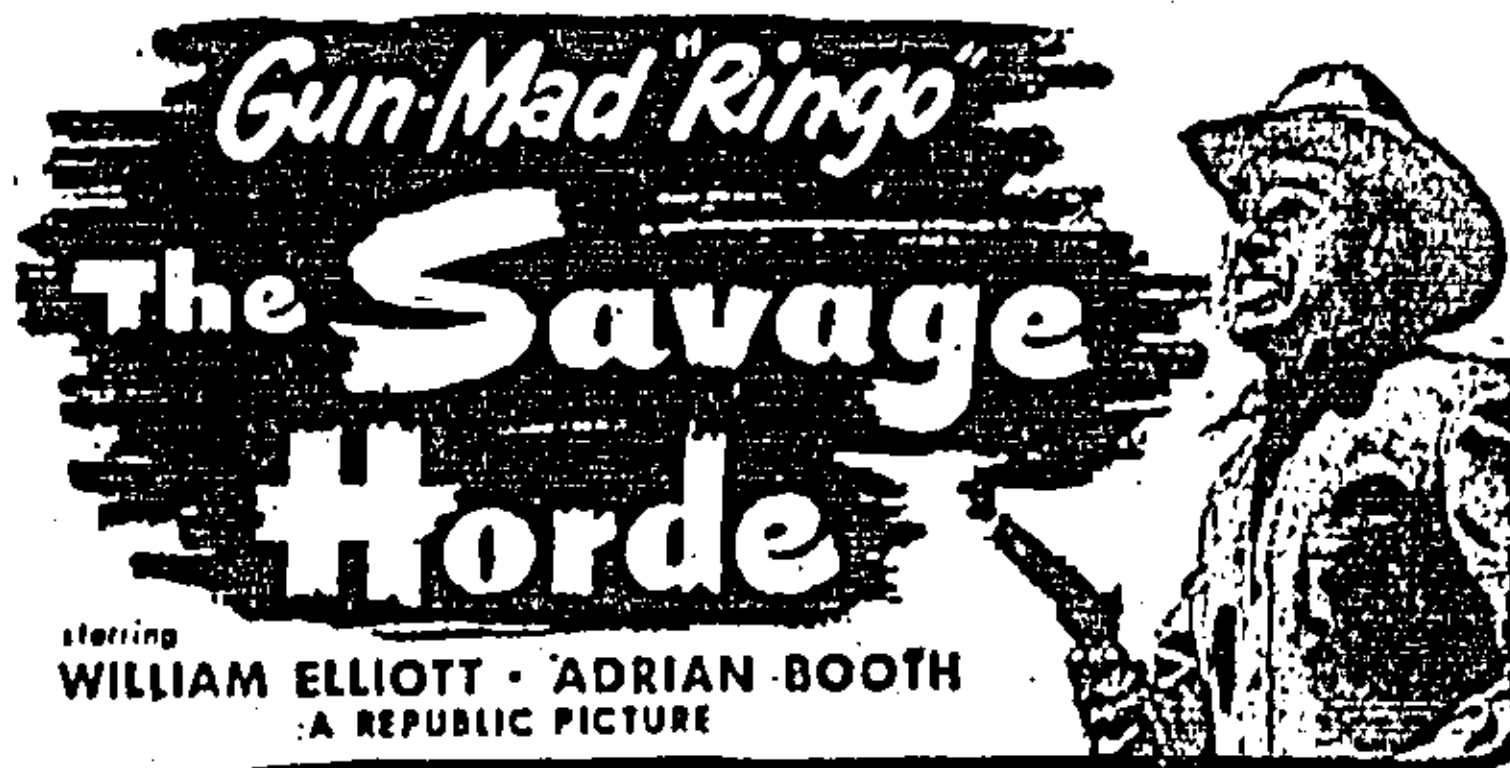
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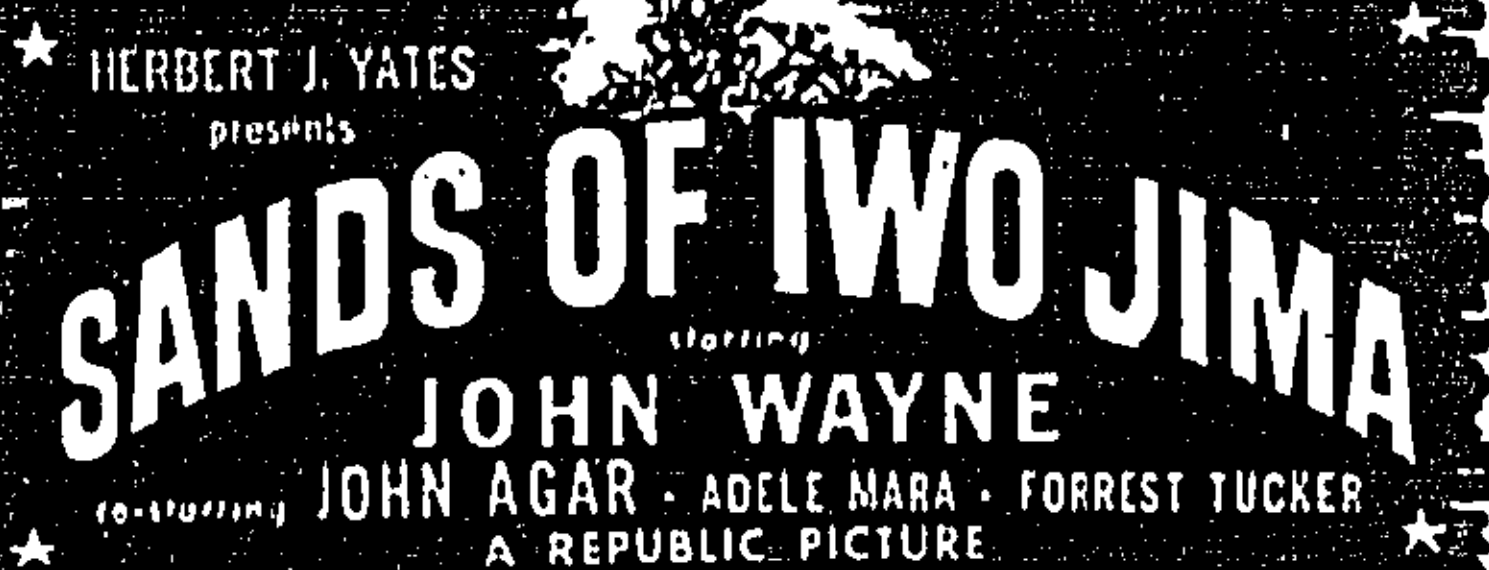
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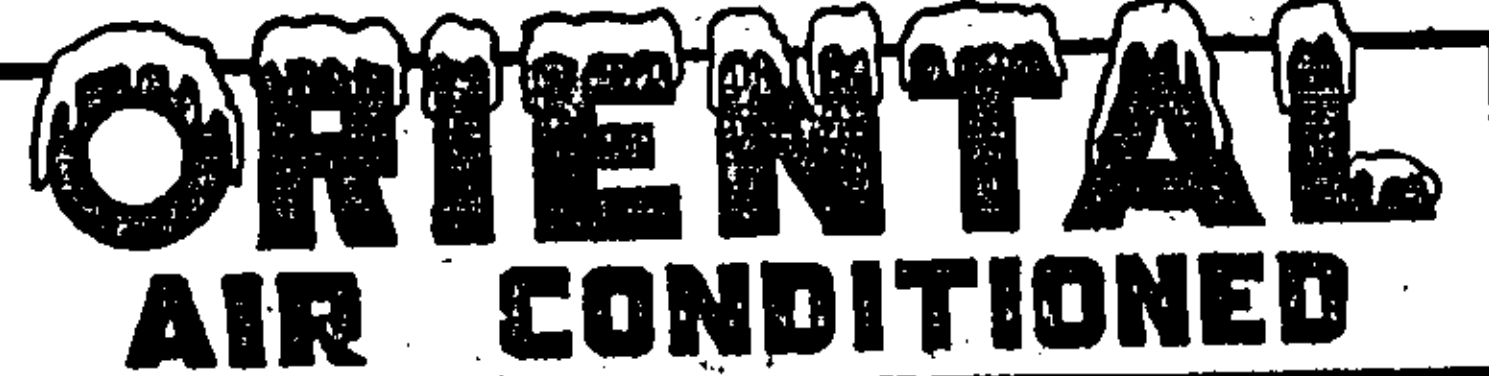
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## FLYNN TO MARRY MOVIE STARLET

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Pretty, red-haired Patricia Wymore, a film starlet, arrived here today by plane from New York to marry swashbuckling film star Errol Flynn. The 41-year-old Flynn, hero of many a red-blooded screen drama, left a sickbed to come to the airport and greet his fiancée and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Wymore of Salina, Kansas.

## Wolf hunt in Lucknow area

Lucknow, September 23.

The police were today preparing to call out military shooting parties to hunt down wolves and hyenas which have carried off 20 children from nearby villages in the past week.

They have now grown so bold that they are attacking adults. Aided by local shikaris—hunters—10 companies of armed police have been on nightly patrols, stalking the beasts and laying traps in their known haunts as terror mounted among villagers here and around Allahabad, 100 miles away.

In the Girathi area, 30 miles from Allahabad, wolf and hyena packs, prowling by night in roads and hamlets, have killed at least 23 children.

Reports sent in to police headquarters in Lucknow today told of new and fierce attacks on grown men and women. Terror of the famished beasts has so alarmed the countryside that members of the United Provinces Legislative Assembly have asked the Government to take strong measures.

Mr. Charan Singh, Parliamentary Secretary, told the Assembly that depredations by wild animals had increased since the Dhik forest, 40 kilometres from Lucknow, was cleared.—Reuter.

## Chinese Reds producing anti-U.S. play

Washington, September 24.

The State Department was advised from Hong Kong today that the Chinese Communists are getting ready to produce an anti-American play which was a recent Moscow hit.

The play, a four-act drama entitled "The Voice of America," won the 1949 Stalin Prize.

The Hong Kong report said that the Chinese Communists have the play in rehearsal for an early premiere at Canton as part of a current anti-American campaign in South China.

Advance billings say the play exposes "war-mongering schemes of the American rulers and their cruel, criminal acts," and depicts the "struggle for peace within the vast masses in the U.S."—Associated Press.

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## PI HINT ON LOAN

Manila, September 23.

The Acting Finance Secretary and Rehabilitation Finance Corporation Chairman, Placido Mapa, said in a speech today that the Philippines need badly a loan of \$450,000,000 from the United States.

Mr. Mapa said: "It is now an open secret here and abroad that the Philippine Government has incurred deficits amounting to

\$268,700,000 in its five years of operation since the liberation. This is the plain fact which stares us in the face."

He continued: "I believe the Philippines' most immediate needs are a budgetary loan of \$250,000,000 and an agricultural and industrial loan of \$200,000,000 or a total of \$450,000,000 from America."

"Granted this aid which we badly need now, I am certain we shall be able to stabilize our economy and repel the influences and inroads of Communism, which can only marshal its strength among a people in a chaotic state of economic collapse."

Mr. Mapa said the Philippines, given reasonable time to transform her resources into actual wealth, "will be able to pay every single dollar she may receive from the United States in the form of loans... I believe we can safely say that not many countries can favourably compare with the Philippines as a safe and profitable field for investment... Whatever loan we get now will be paid back dollar for dollar."—United Press.

## Hoffman resignation reported

Washington, September 23.

The White House said today that an announcement would be made on Monday on a report that Mr. Paul G. Hoffman would resign as Marshall Plan chief and be succeeded by his deputy, Mr. William C. Foster.

A White House spokesman said he could not officially confirm—but would not deny—a copyright story in the "Washington Post" that Mr. Hoffman would resign his post.

The Economic Co-operation Administration Headquarters here declined to confirm the report. A spokesman said that any announcement would have to come from Mr. Hoffman, who is now in California, but was expected back in Washington on Monday.

The "Washington Post" had reported that Mr. Hoffman, former President of the Studebaker Automobile Corporation, was resigning to become the Director of the multi-million Ford Foundation—a research, educational and philanthropic organization.

The Ford Foundation, set up by grants from Mr. Henry Ford and his family, is reported to be the world's richest.—Reuter.

## CHINESE JET SCIENTIST GRANTED BAIL

Los Angeles, September 24.

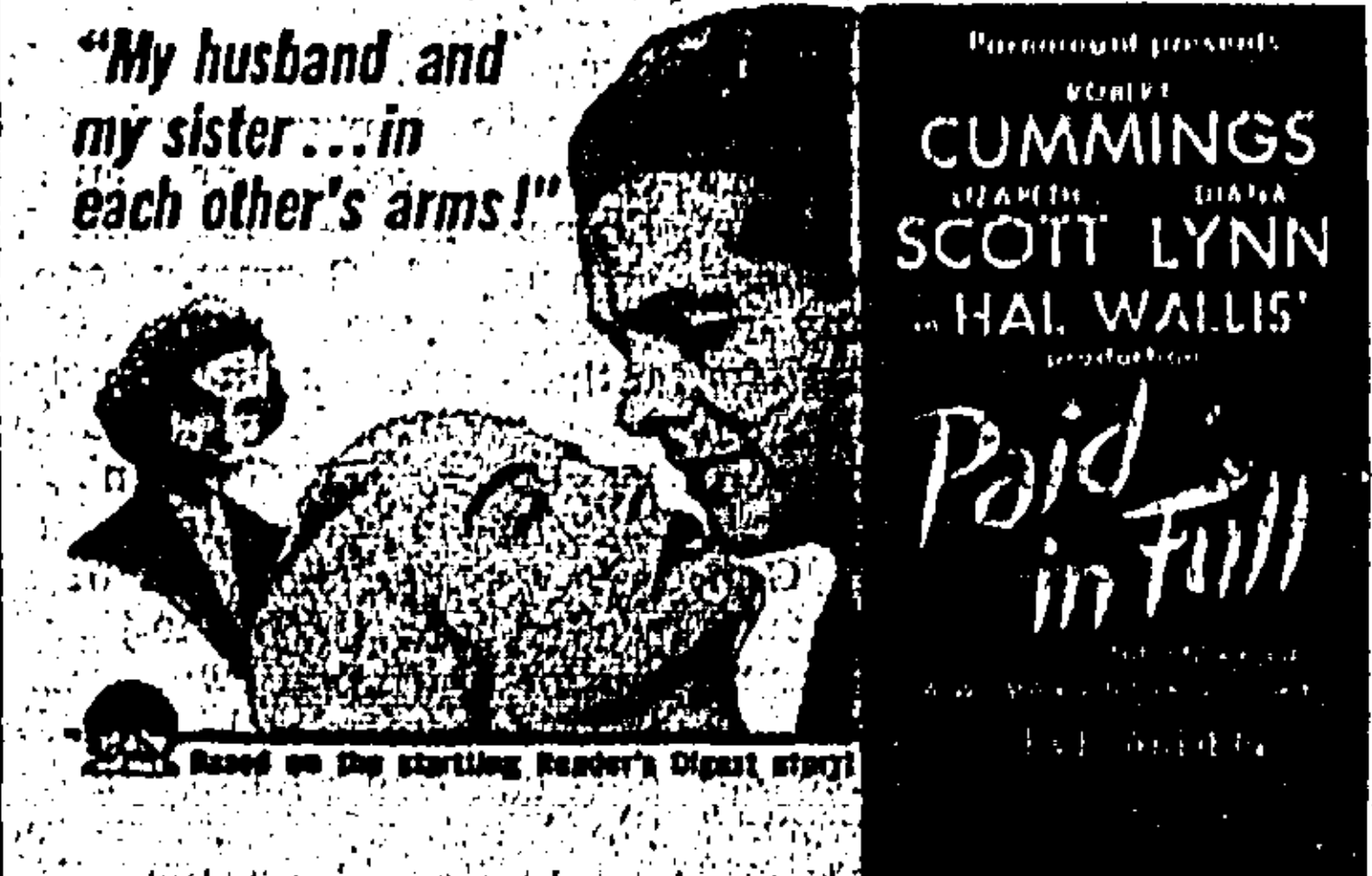
Dr. Hue Shen Tsien, jet propulsion expert at California Institute of Technology, who was arrested on September 7, after he tried to ship confidential scientific information to China, was released on \$15,000 bail yesterday.

Immigration authorities arrested him on a deportation warrant charging that he is a member of a subversive organization. His deportation hearing has been set for October 10.

U.S. Attorney Ernest A. Tolla said that although investigations of the seized documents are continuing, little that is at present classified as restricted has been discovered.—Associated Press.



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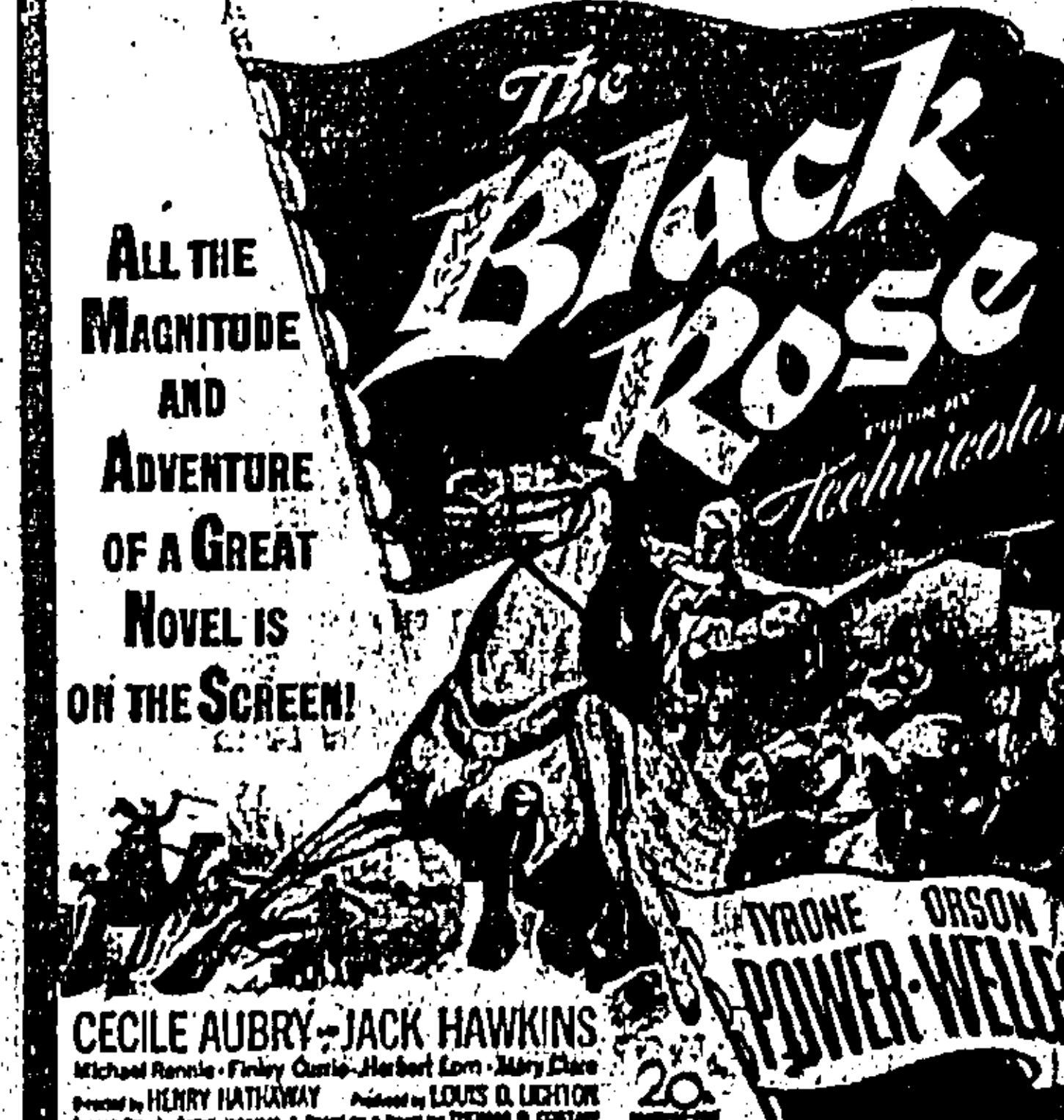
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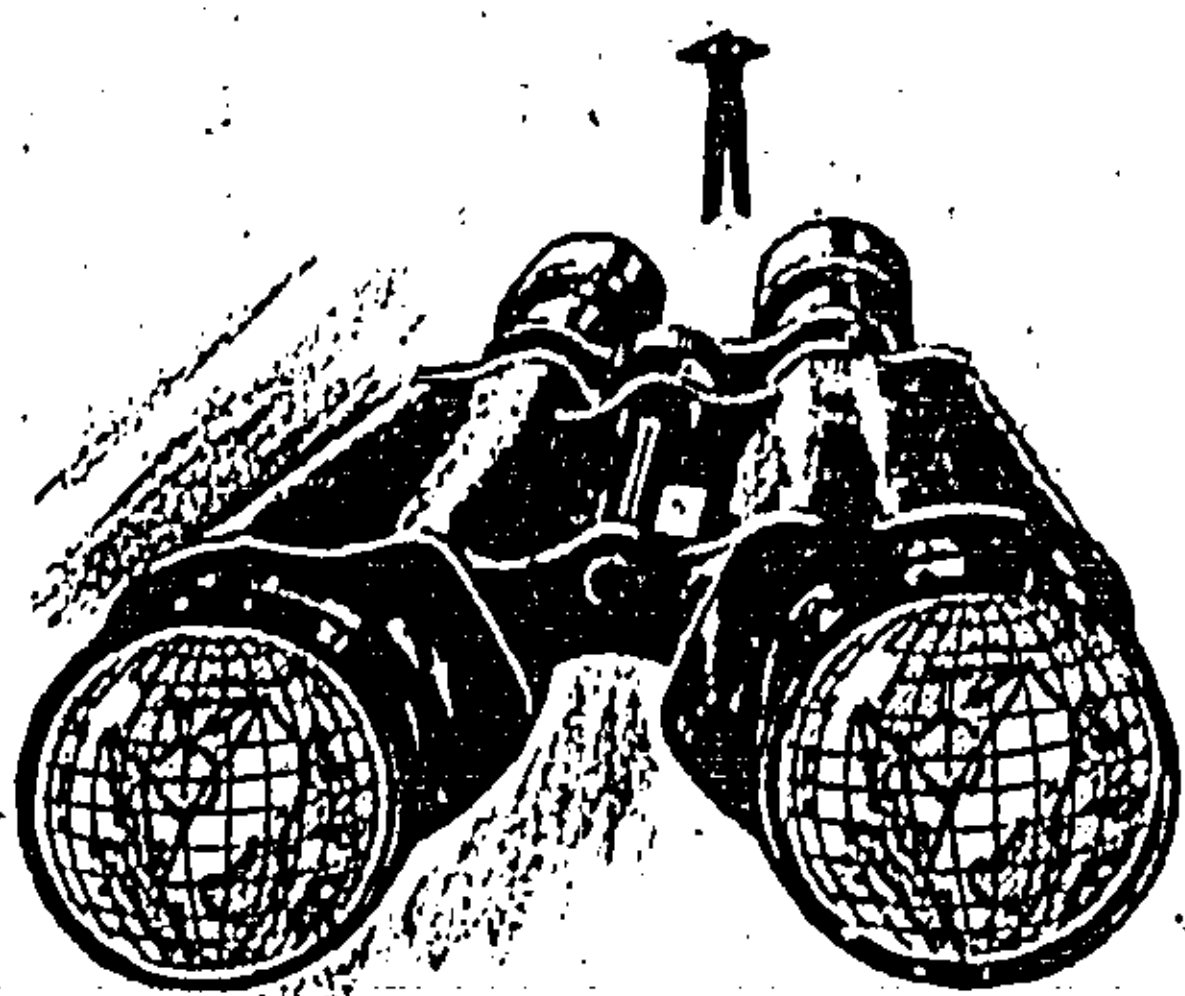
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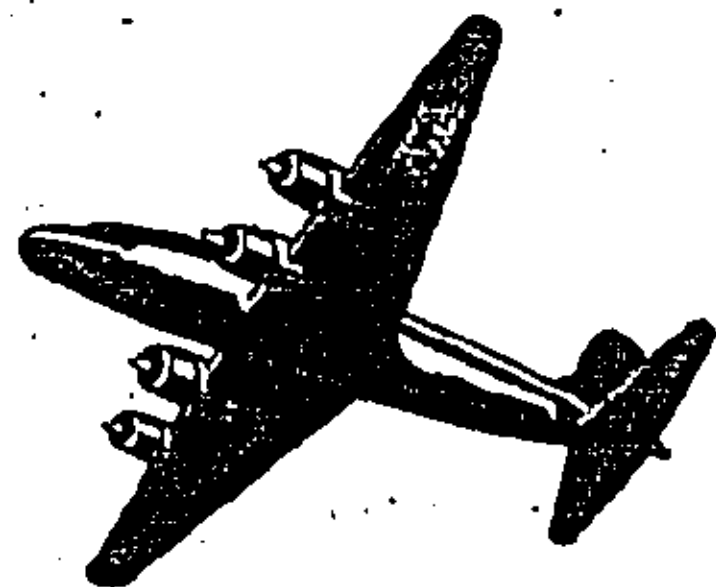
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### CONSOLIDATION IN WEST

Mr. Dean Acheson's dramatic proposals to gird the United Nations General Assembly with the powers to oppose aggression hitherto reserved to the Security Council, have necessarily dominated public attention. But this development ought not to be allowed completely to overshadow the decisions reached by the Western Foreign Ministers in regard to the future of Germany.

The North Atlantic Council warmly welcomed the proposal to create in the shortest possible time an integrated military force adequate to defend Europe. The Foreign Ministers of the 12 nations on the Council are now consulting their Governments on means of creating an International Army under unified command. Meanwhile the fictional "state of war" with Germany is to be ended, and the declaration will embrace both the Soviet-controlled Eastern Zone and Western Germany. This gives legal point to the statement of the Big Three that they share the desire of the German people for unification of Germany "on a basis which respects the fundamental liberties."

It also makes it clear to the Germans in the Eastern Zone that responsibility for the continued division of the country lies plainly with the Soviet Government. The decision to hold "elections" in the Soviet zone next month — with all the paraphernalia associated with such occasions in Communist countries — shows the intention of the Soviet to prolong the division. The warning has been given that the Western Powers will regard any attack on the German Federal Republic or Berlin as an attack upon themselves.

These are in effect brought into the Atlantic Community by this declaration. While a re-created German Army is ruled out, and German participation in an integrated European force is being studied, Western Germany will be allowed to create mobile police formations, such as now exist in Eastern Germany. Moreover, the Occupation Statute is to be amended to give greater German responsibility for foreign relations, for economic control, and in a legislative capacity. Prohibitions and limitations on German industry are to be reviewed; restrictions on shipbuilding are to be relaxed for export; and limitation on steel output removed for Western defence orders. Further economic aid is to be given to Berlin, and Allied military strength is to be increased.

There is nothing especially new in these points. They have been the subject of intensive public discussion for some time, and they form the basis which Western Germany regarded as indispensable for her willing co-operation in Western Europe. They are consistent with the Potsdam Declaration governing Germany and Japan alike — which envisaged the task of bringing the German people to "take their place among the free and peaceful peoples of the world." The main physical burden of the security of the free world remains on the shoulders of the Western Powers, and the re-equipment and reinforcement of their forces will have proper precedence.

Meanwhile the German people are given an increased sense of security, and renewed

When I left Russia in 1933, Alex had seen me to the train; his farewell words had been: "Whatever happens, hold the banner of the Soviet Union high." He was arrested in 1937, on the charge (as I learned much later) of having hired 20 bandits to ambush Stalin and Kaganovich on their next hunting trip in the Caucasus.

He refused to sign a confession, was kept in various prisons for three years, then, after the Ribbentrop-Molotov pact, was handed over by the GPU to the Gestapo, at Brest-Litovsk, together with a hundred-odd other Austrian, German and Hungarian Communists.

### Swastikas

Alex's wife Eva was a ceramist. She was arrested about a year before Alex and was at first accused of having inserted swastikas into the pattern on the tea-cups which she designed for mass production; then, that she had hidden two pistols under her bed which were to serve to kill Stalin at the next Party Congress.

She spent 18 months in the Lubianka, where the GPU tried to bribe her as a repentant sinner for the Bukharin show trial. She cut her veins, was saved, and was released shortly afterwards thanks to the extraordinary exertions of the Austrian Consul in Moscow who happened to be a friend of her mother's. I met Eva after she had been released and expelled from Russia, in the spring of 1938. Her experiences in Russian prisons, and particularly of the GPU's methods of obtaining confessions, provided me with part of the material for *Darkness at Noon*.

I promised her to do what I could to save Alex. Albert Einstein had already intervened on his behalf; so I wrote a carefully worded cable to the GPU, which I obtained the signatures of the three French Nobel Prize physicists Perrin, Langevin and Joliot-Curie. The cable, a copy of which was sent to State Attorney Vyshinsky, requested that the charges against Welser, if any, be made public, and that he be given a public trial. It is characteristic that, although both Langevin and Joliot-Curie were Soviet sympathisers who shortly did not set great store by the method of Soviet justice — for, though they had never heard of Alex before, they knew me only slightly, they at once took it for granted that he was innocent.

### Blind eye

The moral of this story is that Joliot-Curie, Blackett, and the rest of our nuclear physicists cannot claim starry-eyed ignorance of the goings-on in Russia. They know in detail the case history of at least these two of their colleagues, both loyal servants of the Soviet Union, arrested on grotesque charges, held for years without trial, and delivered to the Gestapo. They further know that these cases are not exceptional; reliable, second-hand reports of similar cases in Russian academic circles are available to them. And the same is true of all Communist or fellow-travelling authors, journalists and intellectuals.

About the time when I learned of Alex's arrest, a comrade escaped from Paris from Germany where he had served a term of five years' hard labour. Before his arrest, he had worked for a certain branch of the Apparatus whose leaders had meanwhile been liquidated as spies.

So, without being given a hearing, without a chance of defending himself, my friend and his wife were denounced as agents of the Gestapo and their photographs were printed in the

confidence that their way to full sovereignty and unity lies in co-operation with the Western Powers. Full sovereignty cannot be restored to Germany while it remains divided and an object of dissension between the Kremlin and the Western Powers. But it is the obvious intention of the latter to achieve the purposes of their policy and occupation through negotiated agreements with the German Government rather than by military decree.

The differences among the Western Powers — and especially between American and French ideas — about the re-arming of Germany centre chiefly on time and conditions, rather than upon principle. French doubts are natural and inevitable. A German contingent in an International Army is the thin end of the wedge. At the same time it sharpens French awareness of their own responsibilities. But how can one measure time in the West, when at any moment the blow may fall? Perhaps discussions between the three Western Powers and the German authorities on basic details of German participation in a unified force may help to remove these doubts, for Bonn must be made to realise that safeguards are essential.

## The GOD That failed

### Anti-climax

#### By Arthur Koestler

This is the sixth in a series of articles by two internationally-famed writers of their journey into Communism and their eventual return.

Party press, accompanied by a warning not to have any truck with them. Such cases I had heard of before; I had shrugged them off and continued on the tight-rope.

Now these two individuals had become more real to me than the cause in the name of which they were to be sacrificed, and I took their side.

The Party did not react. While I had been in jail, they had used me as a martyr for propaganda purposes; some time must be allowed to lapse before I could be denounced as an agent of Franco and the Mikado.

### I leave

The end came as a curious anti-climax. Some time during the spring of 1938, I had to give a talk on Spain to the German Emigre Writers' Association in Paris. Before the talk, a representative of the Party announced the passage of a law by the P.O.U.F. as agents of Franco; I refused. He shrugged, and asked me whether I cared to show him the text of my speech and to discuss it informally; I refused. I knew it was my last public appearance as a member of the Party. The theme of the speech was the situation in Spain; it

contained not a single word of criticism of the Party or of Russia. But it contained three phrases, deliberately chosen, because to normal people they were platitudes, to Communists, a declaration of war.

The first was: "No movement, party or person can claim the privilege of infallibility." The second was: "Apposing the enemy is as foolish as persecuting the friend who pursues your own aim by a different road. The third was a quotation from Thomas Mann: A harmful truth is better than a useful lie." That settled it. When I had finished, the non-Communist half of the audience applauded, the Communist half sat in heavy silence, most of them with folded arms.

A few days later I wrote my letter of resignation to the Central Committee of the Party.

### No-man's-land

This is the second occasion where the story should end; and yet there was a second anti-climax. My letter was a farewell to the German C.P., the Communist Party of Germany, and the Diogenes regime. But it ended with a declaration of loyalty to the Soviet Union. I stated my opposition to the system, to the cancerous growth

of the bureaucracy, the suppression of civil liberties. But I professed my belief that the foundations of the Workers' and Peasants' State had remained unshaken, that the rationalisation of the means of production was a guarantee for its eventual return to the road of Socialism; and that, in spite of everything, the Soviet Union still represented our last and only hope on a planet in rapid decay.

The tight-rope had snapped, but there was a safely net spread under it. When I landed there, I found myself in mixed company: veterans, acrobats, who had lost their dialectical balance, Trotskyites, critical sympathisers, independent "cryptos," now statesmen, new republicans, totalitarian liberals, and so on — who were sprawling in the net in various contorted positions.

Wherever all hellishly uncomfortable, suspended in no-man's-land, but at least we did not have to regard ourselves as completely fallen angels. I remained in that state of suspended animation until the length of time Jacob tended Laban's sheep to win Rachel his daughter. When the time was up, the bride was led into his dark tent; only the next morning did he discover that his arduous had been spent not on the lovely Rachel but on ugly Leah.

(To be continued)

## Discussion on finance

The London economic conference of the Commonwealth civil servants seems to be developing well. A six-year plan is being written for the South Asian countries. The question of overriding interest is how much it will cost.

It is said that India alone has submitted plans which will involve an expenditure of £1,380 million. Of this it estimates that at least £200 million will have to come from outside India.

Beyond these figures there is as yet no indication of the total cost of the six-year plan. In any case it will cost not less than £1,000 million. Probably the cost will be nearer £2,000 million.

Where is this very large sum to come from? That it must somehow be raised goes without saying. The Commonwealth economic plan is the one constructive action in Asia on the non-Communist side which holds out a hope of preventing disaster in the continent. One trouble about the programme is that it has been too long delayed. In the immediate post-war days, all the attention of the Western countries was upon the economic resuscitation of Europe. Now it is Asia's turn.

Great Britain, which has already invested since the end of the war about £750 million in South Asia, will continue to make the maximum possible contribution. But the strain is heavy.

### Source of capital

The great source of new capital in the modern world is America. Is there reason to hope for American wealth scheme? What part is America playing at present in the financing of South Asia? Some surprising figures are published in the recent annual economic survey of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East. This shows that, in the period from the end of the war until December, 1949, American investment in Asia was less than a quarter of what it was in Europe in the same period.

Grants and credits to Western Europe \$18,628 million. Grants and credits to Asia countries \$4,441 million.

The most significant fact about American aid to Asia is not the total size of the aid, but its curiously geographical allocation. The ECAFE report gives the following table: To China \$1,755 million, Japan \$1,795 million, South Korea \$300 million, Philippines \$365 million, rest of Asia \$53 million. These figures may need a slight correction since the aid given to Indonesia before it became independent is reckoned in the aid given to the tutelage power, Holland, and is thus included in the figure of the aid given to Europe. But the funds actually spent in Indonesia were well under \$100 million. So this correction does not alter the general picture.

### Practically nothing

From these figures it is clear that South Asia has so far received practically nothing in grants and credits from America. This is in spite of the fact that ever since the war ended, an influential school in America has been preaching the idea that American economic interests imperatively demanded the raising of the standard of living in the economically backward parts of the world. Unless the economies of these parts became dynamic, America's own economy could not over the long run remain dynamic. These ideas were first propagated in

America by the war-time very influential body called the Board of Economic Warfare (which must be distinguished from the British Ministry of Economic Warfare whose functions were quite different.)

Later they have found expression in President Truman's famous Point Four plan. But so far, although America has accep-

By "Windrush,"  
Special  
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ted the idea of giving generous aid, and though other parts of the world have benefited greatly, South Asia has not been a beneficiary.

The failure of South Asia to share in America's post-war programme of economic aid was due to the rather peculiar calculation which American made about post-war developments in Asia. Anybody who was in America during the war years will recall that the axiom in the American mind at that time was that China was the rising power in Asia. Kuomintang China was to be the centre of order, stability and growing prosperity in the Asian continent. It was the chosen country on which America would concentrate its effort.

Other countries would benefit indirectly as prosperity radiated outwards from China. These conceptions are reflected very clearly in the post-war financial policy of America as shown in the figures quoted above.

### Political casualty

Unfortunately for America, Kuomintang China became very quickly a political casualty. The whole of American political and economic policy in Asia was thereby laid in ruins. The consequence is the deplorable situation today. On the one hand, America is in apparently hopeless antagonism with the new Communist China. On the other, it is still neglecting the South Asian region, in which many people think that it would have done more wisely to concentrate its interest in the first place.

There are signs that America may now reconcile its policy. During this year it has already made a number of emergency grants to the countries of South East Asia. It is now showing a great interest in the present Commonwealth conference in London. It may send an official observer to be present at the ministerial conference in London which is to be held later this month in order to take executive decisions upon the six-year plan.

If America should become keenly interested, then the six-year plan can obviously be drafted much more ambitiously than would otherwise be possible. And its political results can be of correspondingly greater magnitude. Besides the American Government, the World Bank has also been showing an interest in the London discussions. This is especially welcome. Since the end of the war, the World Bank has been one of the greatest disappointments. It has played only a shadow of the part which was expected. As a commercial bank it has to be cautious, but its extreme caution has recently been heavily criticised. It may now be preparing to change its attitude. Mr. Eugene Black, who President of the World Bank, has offered to come to London to discuss the Commonwealth scheme, and, if desired, to send members of his planning staff. At the

same time he made some general remarks about the principles which the Western world should, in his view, follow in planning aid for the underdeveloped areas.

### Can't be imported

"Development" cannot be imported from abroad, he said, "it can only be won internally by responsibility and sacrifice. Nations in need of economic development must reject political pressures for monumental show pieces and the pressure of vested interests for enhancement of their position. There must be appropriate tax systems and other policies not only to avoid the distortions that come from inflation but also to make available a greater share of domestic wealth for development purposes."

It is a dangerous fallacy to believe that the standard of living of the masses can be raised without some alteration of these economic structures which permit a relatively few people to enjoy most of the nation's income.

This is wise advice. But the Western countries, in offering advice must avoid the appearance of attaching strings to financial aid. Countries like India and Pakistan are very suspicious of loans subject to conditions which seem to invade their sovereignty. Rather than submit to anything which limits their freedom of action, they would prefer to forego financial aid, however desperately they need it. But clearly these countries will be better placed in negotiation with America — or the World Bank — if the negotiations are carried on by the Commonwealth as a whole. In this, as in other ways, the Commonwealth continues to prove itself a useful organisation to the new Asian Dominions.



The new diplomacy. Governor Dewey not only took a least out of the Russians' book when he slugged them to their face at an official banquet — he threw the whole book at them. U.N. delegates will soon be sending each other stink bombs through the post.

"Orson Welles... has his eyes made aquiline to simulate a fierce Mongol general." Must have given a very cyclic effect.

Chap I know in England lives in a proper draft village. Even the milk is certified.

It seems to a lot of people in the Philippines that somebody's got them on the Huks.

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The Korean foreign minister's wife explains that when she first met her husband, Cupid shot an arrow and it just Mr. Limb.

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# EMPIRE MINISTERS MEET TODAY FOR TALKS ON SE ASIA

London, September 23.

Ministers from seven Commonwealth countries will meet here on Monday to discuss a six-year £1,725,000,000 Commonwealth plan for the development of South East Asian countries.

The Ministers, representing all Dominions except South Africa, will consider the draft on which Commonwealth technical experts and officials have been working here for the last three weeks.

South Africa did not attend the Sydney conference in May last, from which the London meetings have stemmed.

## NO RACE DOCTRINE WANTED

London, September 23.

Mr. James Griffiths, Colonial Secretary, said here today that no doctrine of race superiority had any place in the British colonial policy.

He told a conference of Labour Party and Fabian Society Colonial experts that the Labour Government had undertaken the task of transforming the Empire into a partnership of self-governing nations within a British Commonwealth.

"Democratic self-government cannot be given to a people. It must be won by them, and winning democracy means something much more and more difficult than overcoming oppression from outside."

Referring to the problem of developing closer co-operation between communities in territories such as East and Central Africa, Mr. Griffiths declared: "The central purpose of our Colonial policy applies equally to these territories—to help the people forward towards responsible self-government."

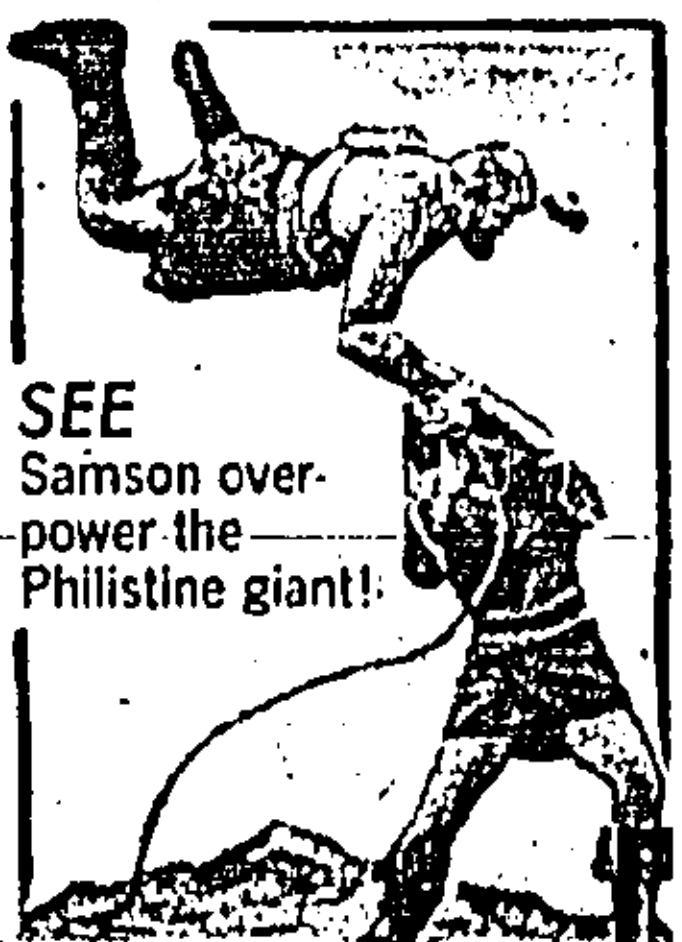
"I mean all the people, not only the immigrant communities which are more mature politically, but also the Africans, who have political experience yet to gain."—Reuter.

## RANGOON GUN BATTLES

Rangoon, September 23.

Police fought two simultaneous gunbattles early this morning in separate parts of the city with unidentified gunmen.

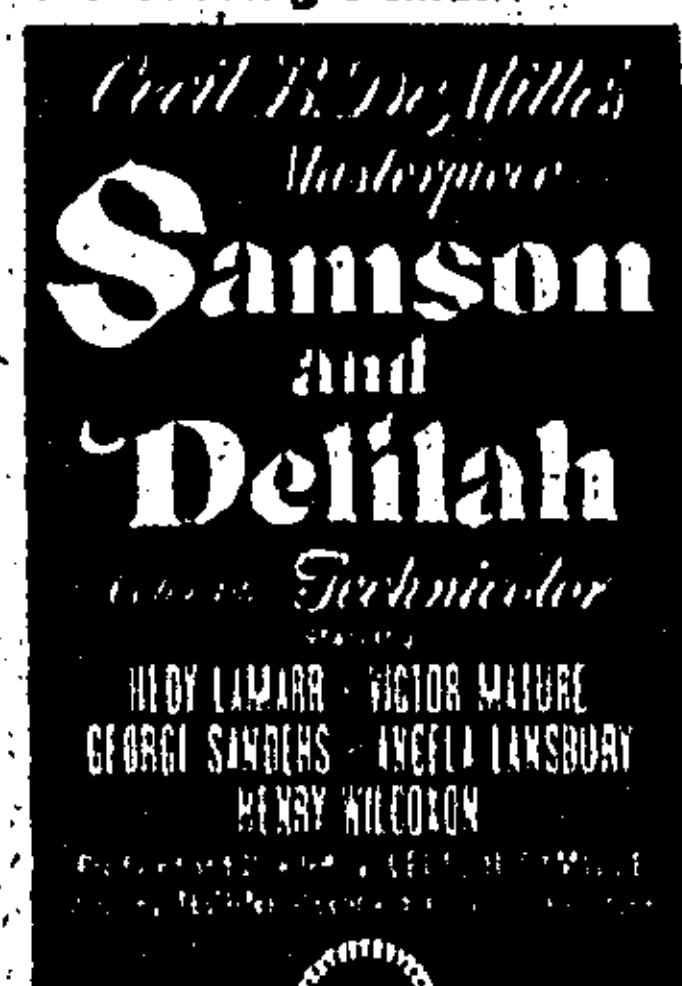
The police said later that they had killed one gunman and wounded another, and that the others had fled.—Associated Press.



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The plan, as at present envisaged, has been evolved by co-ordinating six-year development programmes submitted by four countries—India, Pakistan, Ceylon and the British territories of South East Asia.

The British territories of South East Asia have been considered as a single economic unit for the purpose of this plan and will be represented at the conference by Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Commissioner-General for South East Asia.

Five non-Commonwealth countries of South Asia—Burma, Siam, and the three Associated States of French Indo-China—have accepted invitations to attend the conference but for various reasons have not been able to submit their own schemes so far.

Burma will attend the conference as an observer only and will be represented by its Ambassador to Britain, U. Ohn.

## Industrial schemes

Indonesia's reply to the British invitation to attend is awaited. The talks are expected to last for about 10 days.

The programmes are understood to lay stress on the development of agricultural, multi-purpose hydro-electric, transport and industrial schemes.

The non-Commonwealth countries of South Asia, who have accepted invitations, will join the talks on October 2.

The Dominions attending the talks of the Commonwealth Consultative Committee are: Britain, India, Pakistan, Ceylon, Australia, New Zealand and Canada.

## U.S. attitude

High American officials in Washington said the United States wants to co-operate with the British Commonwealth in an effort to raise the economic welfare of the nations of South East Asia, but has decided against becoming involved in any point.

This attitude was explained to the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, and Mr. Percy Spender, the Australian Minister for External Affairs, during their recent conversations with the Secretary of State, Dean Acheson. Mr. Spender has been one of the more vocal proponents of some sort of Commonwealth aid programme for South East Asia. The Commonwealth countries have evolved a plan for the development of South East Asia. Mr. Spender, it is believed, hoped to persuade the Americans to participate in this programme.—Reuter and United Press.

## U.S. ANTI-RED BILL

Washington, September 23. The Congress, defying President Truman's veto, today enacted into law the Communist Control Bill which the President had declared a danger to national security.

The Senate approved the Bill today by a vote of 57 to 10 despite a filibuster of nearly 21 hours to prevent it from becoming law.

The vote was 12 more than the two-thirds majority needed to override a veto.

The House of Representatives overrode the Presidential veto yesterday by 285 votes to 48.

The anti-Communist bill, more sweeping than any existing measures to control subversion, has these provisions:

(1) It authorises the Attorney-General to intern potential spies

## Colonial progress must be speeded

London, September 23.

Mr. Arthur Creech-Jones, Colonial Secretary from 1946 until the last general election, said today that quick results in Colonial advance were required, finding demands for better living, coupled with the very success of the work in curative and preventive medicine, have made the necessity of tele-scoping progress into a short period imperative, he declared.

In a paper read for him at a Labour Party and Fabian Colonial Bureau conference, "We have done much in the past five years, but the local capital resources are unfortunately limited, nor have we all the resources of men, material and capital required for the gigantic tasks to be done," Mr. Creech-Jones said. He believed the Colonial people were set on the road "it is a good beginning," he commented.—Reuter.

## DEFENCE STEPS BY ITALY

Rome, September 23.

The Italian Government today decided to spend 150,000 million lire in a three-year military defence plan to man her Northern frontier against attack.

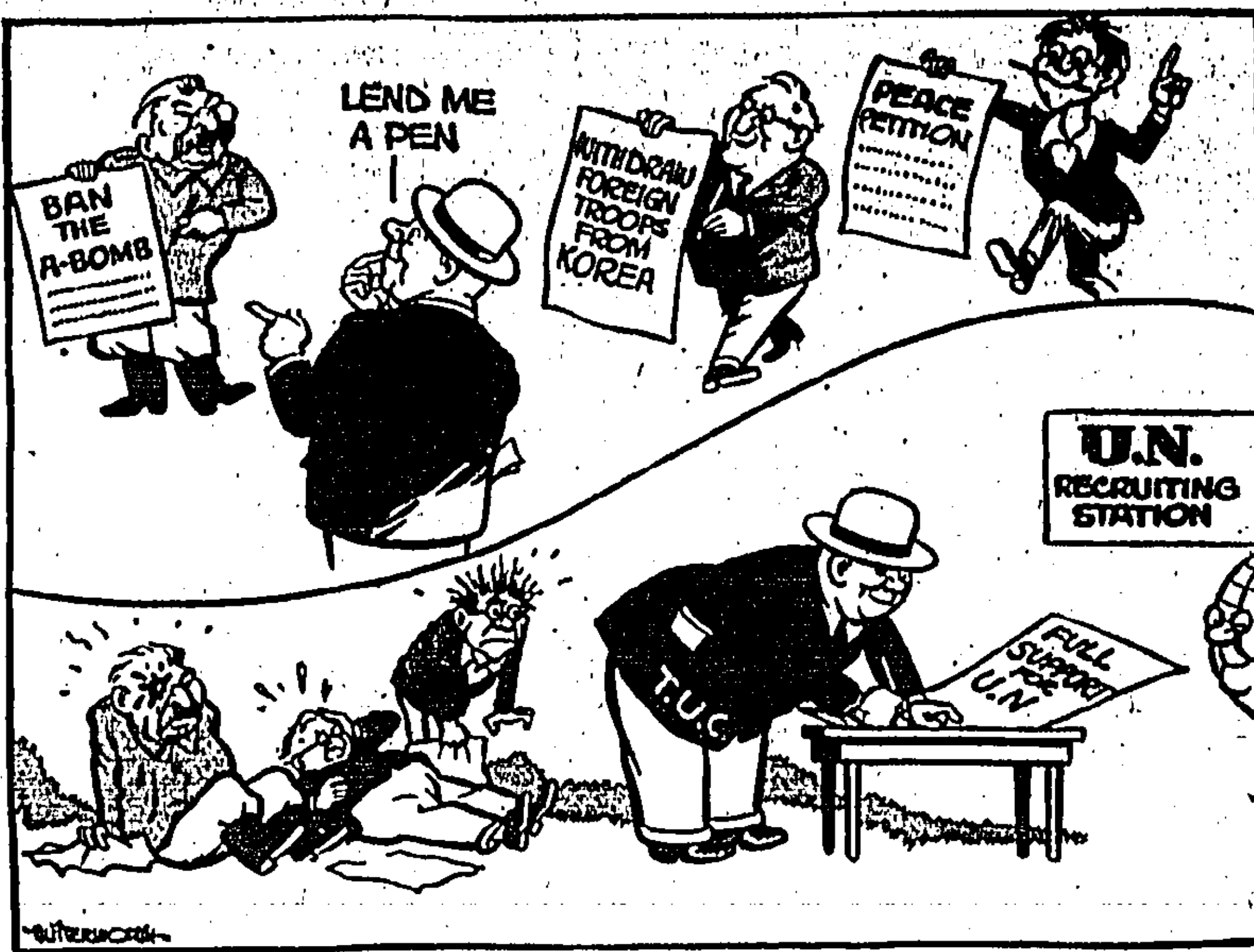
The first allotment of 50,000 million lire for this year will enable Italy to start arming five new divisions to bring her will enable Italy to start arming five new divisions to bring her military forces up to the 12 divisions totalling 175,000 men allowed under the peace treaty.

A communiqué issued after a four-day Cabinet meeting said the Government had also decided on strong reinforcements of carabinieri and police.—Reuter.

## SWEDISH DOCTORS IN KOREA

Tokyo, September 23.

A party of 160 Swedish doctors and nurses arrived in Pusan, Korea, today to serve in Korean field hospitals as part of the United Nations war effort. They formed the first contingent of a field hospital unit which Sweden is sending to help the United Nations forces in Korea.—Reuter.



## Russians again fail in manoeuvre at UN

Flushing Meadow, September 23.

The United Nations General Assembly today rejected by 41 votes to six, with three abstentions, a new Soviet move to exclude the Chinese Nationalist delegation.

The Soviet motion sought to invalidate the credentials of the Chinese Nationalist delegation.

## Western plan for Germany

Bonn, September 23.

The Western Allies are already planning the total abolition of Occupation restrictions in Western Germany.

This was indicated at a Press conference here tonight by the French High Commissioner, M. Andre Francois Poncet.

M. Poncet said the three-power study group in London which prepared the way for the New York agreement to lift occupation ties on Western Germany had been told to prepare the next step.

"This may well be the final step in the liberalisation of relations between the Allies and West Germany," he said.

M. Poncet was speaking as chairman on behalf of the three occupying powers.

The three Allied High Commissioners had just met Chancellor Konrad Adenauer for the first time since their return from New York.

The session was devoted, M. Francois Poncet said, to explanation and clarification of the New York decisions.—Associated Press.

The Assembly approved by 43 votes to five, with one abstention, the report of its Credentials Committee, which found that the delegation's credentials completely satisfied the General Assembly rules.

The Credentials report, as approved, defers further action on the Chinese credentials pending a decision by the General Assembly on the report of its Special Committee, set up to investigate the whole issue of Chinese representation in the United Nations.

Mr. Jacob Malik, the Soviet delegate, accused the Credentials Committee of failing to take into account the situation in China.

He maintained that "the representatives of the Kuomintang group have usurped the name of the delegates of China."

Mr. Jan Drohojowski, of Poland, said "The Credentials Committee has not fulfilled its obligation. The Committee is not simply a mailbox."

The representative of Chile said that the Credentials Committee had not gone into the substance of the question. He had simply respected a General Assembly decision to leave the matter to its Special Committee.

The Dutch delegate, Dr. Dirk Stikker, the Foreign Minister of the Netherlands, said that the United Nations was where it was today because of "the unfaithfulness of the Soviet Union to the spirit of San Francisco," where the United Nations was founded.

He urged that the Assembly should study, without delay, practical means to organise forces which members would put at the service of the aims and principles of the Charter.

Russia, he asserted, had forced the Western powers to rearm.—Reuter.

## Election prospects

London, September 23.

The Labour Government may decide to hold a general election before the end of the year if its policy statement to the next session of Parliament provokes a new series of crisis votes.

The government, if challenged on such proposals as the reform of the laws governing leases of property and attacked afresh on the decision to nationalise steel in January, may demand the verdict of Britain's 35,000,000 voters.

But the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, will decide any election date on the grounds of political expediency—and not in reference to pressure from the left wing of the Socialist Party.

Ministerial sources denied the speculation in Opposition newspapers here that the Health Minister, Mr. Aneurin Ewan, is embroiled in a fresh clash with the Cabinet right-wingers, not only on election dates, but the party policy as a whole.—Reuter.

## WHO PROGRAMME

Kandy, September 23.

The programme sub-committee of the World Health Organisation regional committee for South East Asia today approved the recommendations that training courses in field nutrition and health statistics should be held during 1951 in the South East Asia region.

An international nutrition course is to be held in the All-India Institute of Hygiene and Public Health at Calcutta in collaboration with the Indian Government.

The World Health Organisation is to provide the essential equipment and supplies for the project within the limits of its budgetary resources.

A short basic course in health statistics is to be planned in Ceylon to train the personnel needed in national health services to develop their health and vital statistics services.—Reuter.

## Clear distinction needed

He said Holland felt a clear distinction should be made between the Korea question and Chinese representation in the United Nations.

The Soviet Union, he said, had tried to paralyse the Security Council by linking the issues.

Dr. Stikker said he had listened with interest to the American proposal that member nations should set aside military units for a United Nations force.

M. Paul Van Zeeland, the Belgian Foreign Minister, announced his country's support for the American proposal, declaring that the foundation of the United Nations on Big-Power agreement had crumbled; M. Van Zeeland described the American proposal as "opportune and practical."



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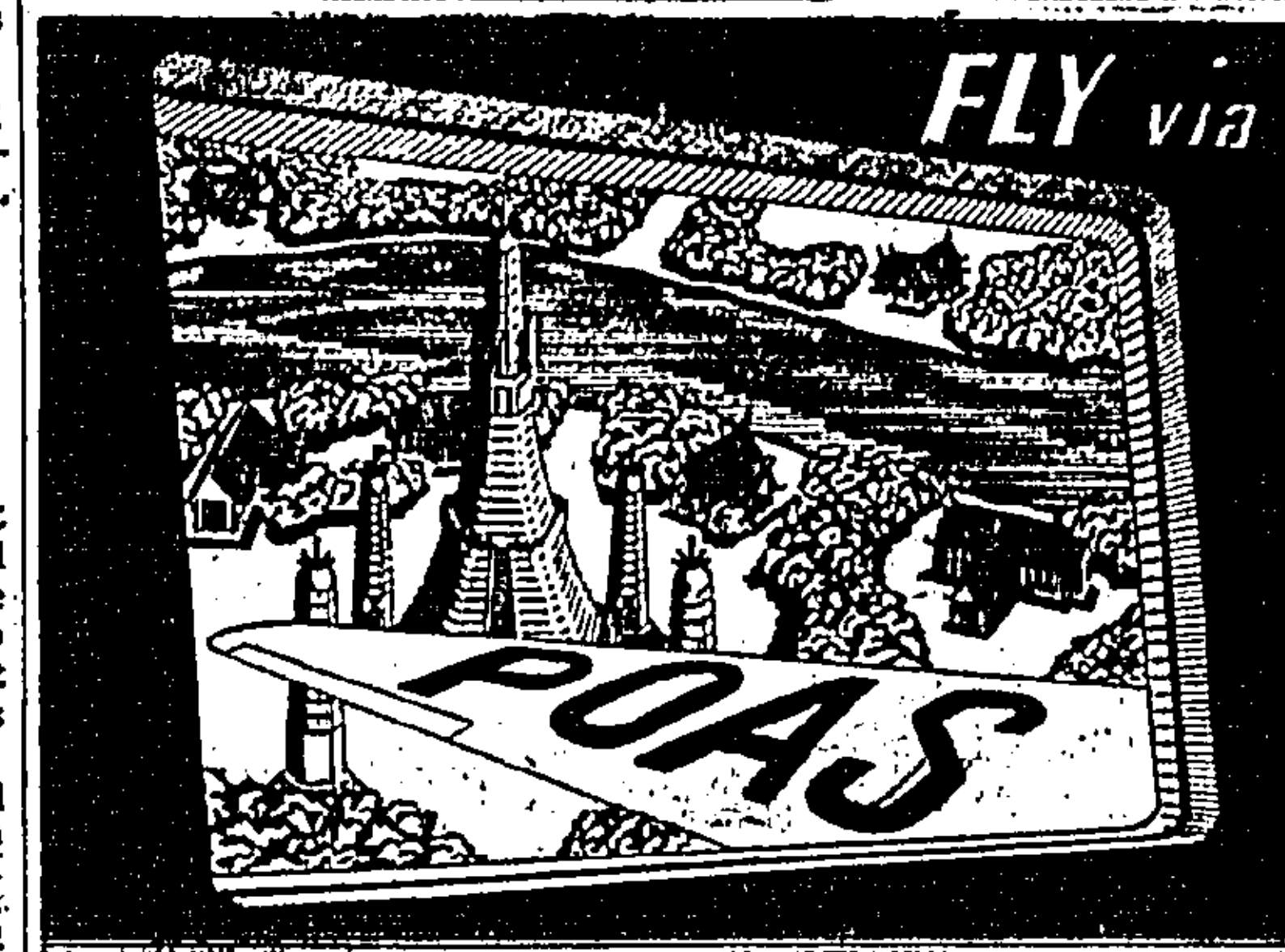
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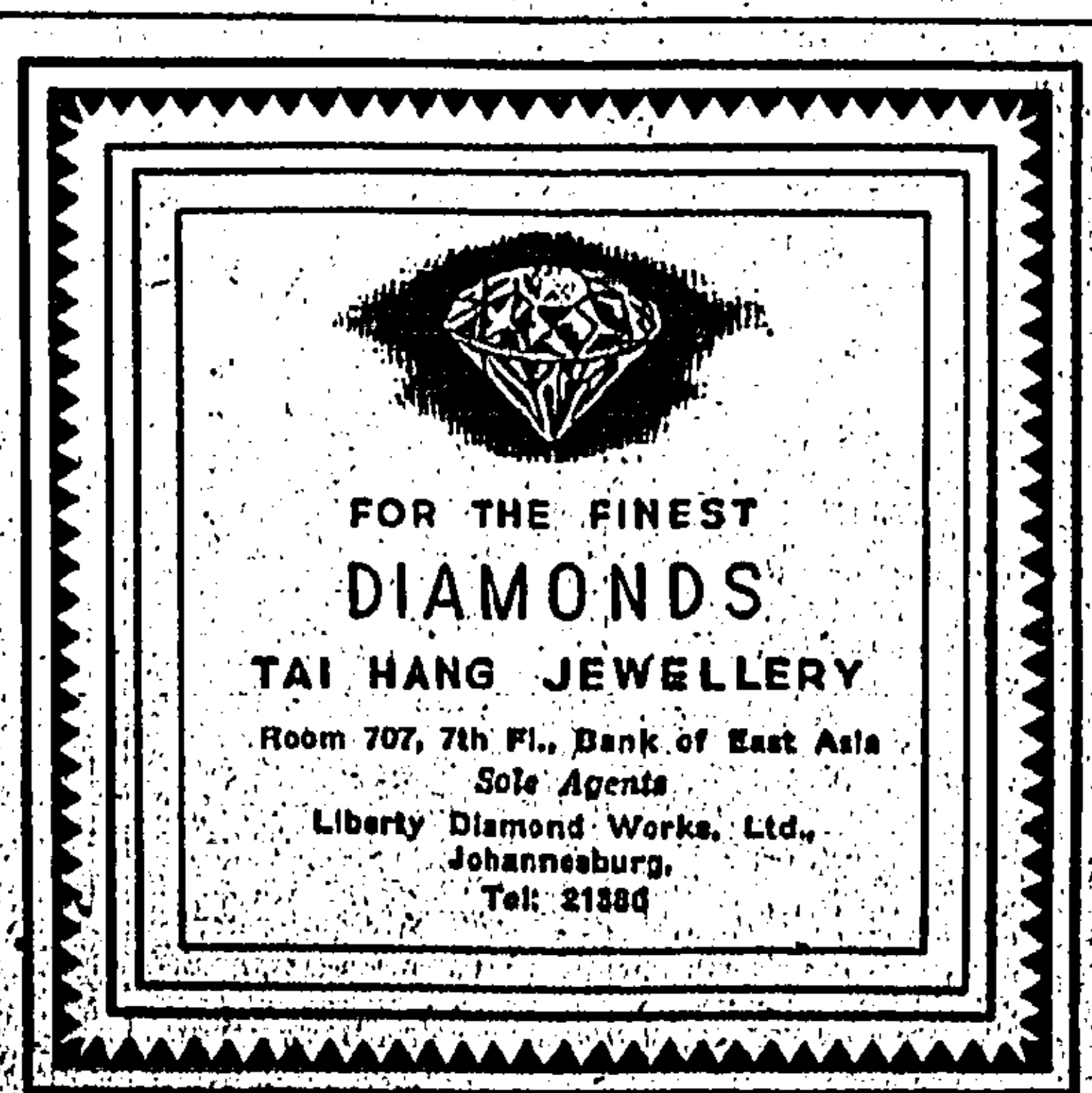
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**Nationalists still  
planning comeback  
on the mainland**

Taipei, September 24.

Although the Nationalists have ceased air and sea  
operations against the Red China mainland  
for almost two months, they have not abandoned  
their plans for the ultimate recovery  
of the lost territory.

But even if there were no  
ban today against attacks on  
the mainland, Generalissimo  
Chiang Kai-shek's forces  
would lack the necessary  
logistical support for any  
large-scale landing there.

How then, people, often ask,  
can they ever hope to get back?  
One answer is this:  
The Nationalists are convinced  
there will be another world war  
in which, as allies of the Western  
powers in their fight against  
Communism, they would be given  
logistical support for a landing  
on the mainland.

If this does not materialise,  
their chances of returning would  
depend largely on whether the  
anti-Communist forces on the  
mainland grow sufficiently in  
strength to threaten the Com-  
munist hold on the country.

Count on guerillas  
Once they have returned,  
they would count on active and  
effective support by Nationalist  
guerillas, the backing of the  
bulk of the people and possibly  
on defections from the Com-  
munist armies in which hun-  
dreds of thousands of Chiang  
Kai-shek's former troops are  
now serving.

Behind the scenes, efforts are  
being made to weld the scattered  
bands of Nationalist guerillas on  
the mainland into a cohesive  
whole.  
Quite a few guerilla chieftains  
have come to Formosa or sent  
representatives here to confer  
with the Nationalist authorities.  
Talks with these men have also  
taken place on various islands off  
the Red China mainland, notably  
Quemoy, near Communist-held  
Amoy, and in the Tachen Islands  
between Formosa and Shanghai.

**Tachens conference**

President Chiang Kai-shek's  
elder son, General Chiang  
Ching-kuo, recently visited the  
Tachens for conferences with  
a group of guerilla leaders on  
the mainland.

The Nationalists claim that  
guerillas are now operating  
against the Reds in every one of  
the 35 provinces on the mainland,  
but admit that the numbers in  
some instances are small, particu-  
larly North of the Great Wall.  
From all accounts, independent  
as well as Nationalist, the Reds  
are having the roughest time in  
South and South West China.  
In Yunnan, for example,  
guerillas forces are said to be in

control of almost the entire  
countrywide.  
In Szechuen, travel on the road  
between Chungking and Chengtu,  
the two main cities in the pro-  
vince, is dangerous because of  
guerrilla raids on the highway.  
Associated Press.

**13 killed  
in two  
air crashes**

Stockholm, September 23.  
Nine passengers and the  
pilot were killed when a  
Swedish commercial transport  
plane crashed and burst into  
flames at Karlstad airport to-  
day.

The plane, a twin-engined  
Avro Anson, stalled and crashed  
from an altitude of 180 feet  
shortly after taking off.

A spokesman of the Swedish  
Aero Airline, owners of the plane,  
said that all passengers and the  
pilot had been killed instantly.  
They were all Swedes and in-  
cluded a woman.

The plane had been chartered  
to deliver Stockholm newspapers  
to Western Sweden and used to  
pick up passengers on the way  
back to the capital, he added.

Three Brazilian Air Force men  
were killed when a two-engined  
plane crashed in the suburbs of  
Jacarepaguá, while coming in  
to land at Rio de Janeiro last  
night, Air Ministry sources said  
today.

The plane, which was on a  
military mission, apparently ran  
into bad weather. The dead  
were two lieutenants and one  
sergeant. Associated Press and  
Reuter.

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nouncements.  
1.30—"Music for You."  
2.00—"Close Down."  
6.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Program-  
me Summary.  
6.02—Children's Half Hour—Conducted  
by Jack Frost, (Studio)  
6.30—Portuguese Half Hour, (Studio)  
7.00—Speeches at Ministers Meeting  
Commonwealth Conference, Eco-  
nomic Development of South East  
Asia, (London Relay)  
7.30—"Irish Rhythms"—Frank McDonald  
(Trinity) the Ulster Singers & the  
Irish Rhythms Orch. (BBCS)  
8.00—World News and News Analysis.  
(London Relay)  
8.15—"I Like What I Like"—Presented  
by Eric Pickles (Studio)  
8.45—Linda Carter Talks on Films.  
(Studio)  
9.00—"From the Editorials." (London  
Relay)  
9.10—Weather Report.  
9.11—Khachaturian's Concerto for Piano  
and Orch. Moura Lympany  
(Piano) with the London Sym-  
phony Orch.  
9.45—"Itma." (BBCS)  
10.15—Latin American Music.  
10.30—United Nations Album.  
10.45—Dance To Music Spauler and  
His Rhythm Band.  
11.00—Radio News Reel, (London Relay)  
11.15—Weather Report.  
11.16—"Goodnight Music."  
Good Bye the King.  
11.20—Close Down.

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9.00—Up With The Sun.  
9.30—Musical Clock.  
9.45—Ed. A. A. Programme.  
10.00—News & Weather Forecast.  
10.15—Random Rhythm.  
10.30—Morning Music.  
10.45—A Programme for Women.  
11.00—Classics.  
11.30—Morning Medley.  
11.30—Make Believe Ballroom.  
12.00—H.K. Stock Exchange.  
P.M.  
12.15—Tune Time.  
12.35—Band Call.  
1.00—Piano.  
1.15—News.  
1.30—Orch. Concert.  
2.00—Afternoon Music.  
4.00—Today's Choice.  
4.15—Billie Bryant and His Wildcats.  
4.30—Vocalists' Tunes.  
5.00—Music Makers.  
5.15—Harmony Hall.  
5.30—Children's Corner.  
5.45—Radio Handicrafts.  
6.15—The Family Jock.  
6.45—Do You Remember?  
7.00—Songs From The Films.  
7.15—Candlelight and Silver.  
8.00—B.B.O. News.  
8.15—Local News.  
8.15—Concert Miniatures.  
8.30—Music By Tish.  
9.00—Musical Merry Go Round.  
9.15—Carroll Gibbons and his Orch.  
9.30—Crazy Quilt.  
10.00—B.B.O. News.  
10.10—Local News.  
10.15—Sings and Sings.  
10.30—Radio Ballroom.  
11.00—Music of Manhattan.  
11.30—A Day With Dramaland.  
11.00—Close Down.

**British  
protest  
in Berlin**

Berlin, September 23.  
Major General G. K.  
Bourne, British Commandant  
in Berlin, today sent a second  
protest to the Soviet authori-  
ties over the road bar-  
rier which the Russians  
moved 160 yards back into  
the British sector territory  
on Tuesday.

The contents of this second  
note were not disclosed.

British troops today are  
still standing guard over the  
barrier. British military offi-  
cials in Berlin today still re-  
fused to disclose the terms  
of the Soviet reply to the  
first British protest. They  
say that experts are still  
studying the contents of the  
reply handed over on Thurs-  
day. Reuter.

**SOLDIER KILLED  
IN JOHORE**

Singapore, September 23.  
Guerillas killed a British  
soldier yesterday in Johore  
State when they fired on a mili-  
tary lorry.

The Air Force struck at guerilla  
targets in Kelantan, Johore and  
Selangor States today. Reuter.

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**JANE****French not to attempt  
recapture of Dongkhe**

Saigon, September 23.

The frontier post of Dongkhe, on the Chinese  
border, has been abandoned to the Com-  
munist-led Vietminh, official French sources  
said tonight. There are no immediate plans  
to retake the lost post.

Authoritative sources said the French High Com-  
mand never had any intention of making any  
immediate attempt to re-establish a garrison  
at Dongkhe.

They pointed out that Dong-  
khe, which has been lost twice  
within four months, cannot be  
defended under present con-  
ditions.

The isolated post must be sup-  
plied by air, and it lies in a  
valley difficult to defend against  
a foe holding the surrounding  
heights.

The French lack sufficient  
troops to establish a large enough  
garrison there.

A French column is pushing  
North from Thanh to the  
mountain pass of Luangphai,  
about nine miles South of Dong-  
khe, on a largely punitive and re-  
connaissance mission.

It is hoped the column will be  
able to make contact with pos-  
sible survivors of the lost gar-  
rison.

Control of the Dongkhe area  
will substantially improve Viet-

minh communications with Com-  
munist China.

**Route shortened**

It will shorten the most im-  
portant trans-frontier com-  
munications route by at least  
50 miles.

The principal Vietminh link  
with Communist China runs  
from Luangphai, 30 miles  
North of Langson within Com-  
munist China.

Luangphai is connected by  
road with the important Chinese  
Communist Kwangsi city of  
Nanning, where a Vietminh  
liaison office was reported to  
have opened recently.

Vietminh supply convoys from  
Luangphai, after crossing the  
border, were forced to skirt North  
of French-held Cao Bang to reach  
their important base at Bhaan,  
80 miles North of Hanoi.

Associated Press.

**KASHMIR PUT  
ON UN AGENDA**

Flushing Meadow,  
September 23.

The India-Pakistan dispute  
over the future of Kashmir  
was today placed on the agen-  
da of a Security Council meet-  
ing called for next Tuesday.

The first item on the day's  
agenda is Communist China's  
complaint of alleged American  
aggression against Formosa, and  
the second is Egypt's complaint of  
Israel's expulsion of Palestinian  
Arabs into Egyptian territory.

The third item is the reception  
of the report on Kashmir submit-  
ted by Sir Owen Dixon, together  
with his covering letter request-  
ing formal termination of his  
position as United Nations repre-  
sentative for India and Pakistan.

In view of past experience with  
controversial questions such as  
Formosa and the Arab complaint,  
it is considered extremely doubt-  
ful whether the Council will ac-  
tually be able to deal with the  
Kashmir question at its next  
meeting. Reuter.

**Clothes horse!**





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|             |                                |                   |
|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| "PAKHOT"    | Bangkok                        | 3 p.m. 20th Sept. |
| "SHANSI"    | Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka & Kobe | 5 p.m. 30th Sept. |
| "SHENGKING" | Keelung                        | 5 p.m. 30th Sept. |
| "POYANG"    | Tientsin                       | 3 p.m. 3rd Oct.   |

\* Sails from Custodian Wharf.

## ARRIVALS FROM

|             |         |                   |
|-------------|---------|-------------------|
| "PAKHOT"    | Kobe    | 7 a.m. 27th Sept. |
| "SHENGKING" | Keelung | 7 a.m. 29th Sept. |

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|             |                              |                 |
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| "YUNNAN"    | Sydney                       | 8th Oct.        |
| "CHIANGSHA" | Sydney, Melbourne & Adelaide | 14th Oct.       |

## ARRIVALS FROM

|             |       |          |
|-------------|-------|----------|
| "TAIPING"   | Kure  | In Port  |
| "YUNNAN"    | Kobe  | 4th Oct. |
| "CHIANGSHA" | Japan | 8th Oct. |

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| "PYRRHUS"   | Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow | 8th Oct.           |

## ARRIVALS FROM

|            |                             |            |
|------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| "ASTVANAX" | U.K. via Straits            | 20th Sept. |
| "MEMNON"   | U.K. via Straits            | 3rd Oct.   |
| "CALCHAS"  | U.K. via Straits            | 10th Oct.  |
| "TELEUS"   | U.K., Rotterdam via Straits | 15th Oct.  |
| "AGAPENOR" | U.K. via Straits            | 20th Oct.  |
| "ANCHISES" | U.K. via Straits            | 2nd Nov.   |

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| "PIONEER TIDE" | Oct. 11 |

## SAILING TO MANILA

|                |         |
|----------------|---------|
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| "PIONEER SEA"  | Oct. 7  |
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| "PIONEER TIDE" | Oct. 12 |

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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE

## U.S. to end tariff concessions

Washington, September 23. The State Department said the United States proposed to end certain tariff concessions granted to Nationalist China. An announcement said this action results from the Nationalist government's withdrawal last May from the general agreement on tariffs and trade, negotiated at Geneva in 1947.

The Department will announce later the list of concessions withdrawn and the new rates of duty which will apply.

No indication was given on what effect this action will have on tariff concessions which other countries have claimed against the United States under the China agreement.

Under the most-favoured-nation principle, concessions given by one country to another under the general agreement on tariffs and trade can also be claimed by other countries participating in the agreement. Associated Press.

## FIRMS MIGRATE TO SCOTLAND

Birmingham, September 23. British and foreign industry is in the midst of a big scale migration to Scotland.

Since 1937, a total of 210 enterprises have moved there, including nearly 90 from London and 35 from abroad. A score of the foreign plants came from the United States.

The figures were cited by Dr. H. S. Phillips of the Scottish Board of Trade. He said new jobs in the American projects alone will total 10,000.

Dr. Phillips declared many of the new firms seem satisfied that their production in Scotland is more economical than elsewhere. Associated Press.

## CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, September 23. Grains sold off early and then staged a mild recovery on the Board of Trade today. In neither case did volume become very heavy.

Wheat closed unchanged to 1/4 lower.

|          |                |
|----------|----------------|
| December | \$2.24 1/4-5/8 |
| March    | \$2.28 3/4-5/8 |
| May      | \$2.28         |

Corn was 1/4 lower to 1/4 higher. December \$1.44 1/4-5/8. Oats were 1/4 to 1/2 lower. December 81 1/2-5/8.

Rye was 1/4 lower to 1/2 higher. December \$1.40 1/4-5/8. Soybeans were 1/4 to 1/2 lower. November \$2.32 1/2-3/4. Associated Press.

## NY COTTON

New York, September 23. The cotton futures market, following a steady opening, moved lower today and then rallied in late trading. Trading volume was fairly small as dealers hugged the sidelines for over the weekend.

Futures closed 30 cents a bale lower to 50 cents higher.

|               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| October       | 41.15         |
| December      | 41.02-05      |
| March         | 41.05         |
| May           | 40.75         |
| July          | 40.11         |
| October       | 36.12         |
| December      | 35.76 nominal |
| March         | 35.63 bid     |
| Middling spot | 42.15 nominal |

Associated Press.

## BRITISH AGITATION FOR STOCKPILING

London, September 24.

A call to the Government from influential quarters for Britain to start stockpiling strategic raw materials on a scale comparable to the stockpiling by America, may have a far-reaching effect on many Colonial products.

As a result of U.S. stockpiling and an increased demand by manufacturing countries for immediate use, prices of such Colonial products as base metals, rubber, wool, cocoa, jute substitutes and fibres, hemp, tin and copper, have soared in recent months.

It is being claimed in Britain that one of the most important defence measures for the country would be the accumulation of reserves of essential and "strategic" materials; stockpiling that has been left to the United States so far.

Wheat, steel, rubber, copper and tin stockpiles located in America might, in certain circumstances, make a very inadequate contribution to the security of England. "Strategic" reserves need to be at strategic points, and if the "North Western approach" became infected by hostile submarines, it would be very necessary for the defence not only of Britain but of Western Europe that there should be ample supplies on the spot.

This point has been made by Sir Arthur Salter and by other speakers and writers in recent weeks.

Reserves of durable materials like steel and timber are an effective substitute for reserves of perishable foodstuffs and materials.

Britain's stockpiles of key materials were in 1939 inadequate for a major war. They are even more inadequate now, declared those who are urging on the Government a stockpiling policy.

## Tin

Stockpiling of tin was referred to at the meeting of the London Tin Corporation this week.

Mr. J. Ivan Spens, Chairman, who speaks for a large group of producers, said that both consumers and producers need price stability to make reasonable plans for the future. The prospect of a burdensome surplus when purchases for stockpile have been completed will not encourage producers to replace their diminishing reserves.

He anticipated that the new reserves will be of lower grade than those now being worked so that a serious and prolonged fall in the price would cause many mines to cease production. He hoped that the United Nations would call a tin commodity conference in October of this year.

He gave impressive figures of the high cost of equipment. To equip a mine with two large modern deep digging dredges would need a capital outlay of \$2,700,000. On ground averaging 0.4 lb. a cubic yard and with the price of tin metal averaging 2,000 a ton, the return over the life of the property would be only 0.16 p.c. On ground averaging 0.3 lb. a cubic yard, which is the average grade of ground likely to be found in the future, the return would be 3 1/2 p.c.

## Synthetic rubber for Yugoslavia

Belgrade, September 23. Marshal Tito's Government, keeping a tight check on expenditures for imports, has begun development of a synthetic rubber industry of its own in the hope of cutting costs of buying natural rubber.

So far, it is on a small scale, largely experimental and probably costly at this stage as the Yugoslavs try out various plants which may prove of value in yielding the milk from which rubber may be made.

The newspaper "Republika" has reported that the agricultural and industrial experts engaged in the experiment have found a plant dubbed "Crocus-Eagle" which has proved best for the purpose, yielding between 50 and 150 pounds of rubber-making material an acre.

It claimed outstanding production in other directions. For example, the newspaper said that Yugoslavia produced per acre nearly seven times as much of one product from which rubber is made as did Russia.

"All this shows that the day when our rubber factories are going to be supplied by home production is not far away," commented the newspaper. Associated Press.

## APL MAY BUILD NEW LINERS

New York, September 23. The American President Lines are considering replacement of three round-the-world luxury liners taken by the Navy before construction was fully completed.

Mr. George Killian of San Francisco, President of the Line, said confidence in the future led to immediate studies for replacement of the liners President Jackson, President Adams and President Hayes.

The Jackson was launched recently but has not been completely outfitted. The Adams will be launched next month and the Hayes is due off the ways early next year.

All are being built at Camden, New Jersey. They were taken over by the Navy Department even as plans were being made for maiden voyages. Associated Press.

## Speculation on the Pound

London, September 23. Improvement in the sterling area's gold dollar position has renewed speculation that the exchange value of the pound may be increased to \$3 or more.

The present value of the pound is \$2.80. Prior to devaluation on September 18, 1949, the pound had been pegged for 10 years at \$4.04.

Best informed circles both in the Treasury and near the Cabinet describe talk of revaluing the pound as premature.

It is known, however, the subject has been under study in Treasury. Associated Press.

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|-----------------|-----------------|------------|
| S.S. "CARTHAGE" | 25th Sept.      | 27th Oct.  |
| S.S. "CORFU"    | 27th Oct.       | 27th Nov.  |
| S.S. "CANTON"   | 27th Nov.       | 27th Dec.  |
| S.S. "CHUSAN"   | 28th Dec.       | 28th Jan.  |
| S.S. "CARTHAGE" | 28th Dec.       | 28th Jan.  |
| S.S. "CORFU"    | 19th Jan.       | 19th Feb.  |
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|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------|
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| S.S. "SOUDAN"   | 23rd Oct.       | "                   |
| HOMEWARDS       | LEAVES HONGKONG | FOR                 |
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| ARRIVALS                   | SAILINGS |
|----------------------------|----------|
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| "TJIBADANE" * 20th Oct.    |          |

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## JAPAN

| ARRIVALS                   | SAILINGS |
|----------------------------|----------|
| "TJIBADAK" * 11th Oct.     |          |
| "STRAAT BOENDA" * 8th Oct. |          |
| "TJIBADANE" * 22nd Oct.    |          |

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|--------------------------|------------|
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## JAPAN

| ARRIVALS                 | SAILINGS   |
|--------------------------|------------|
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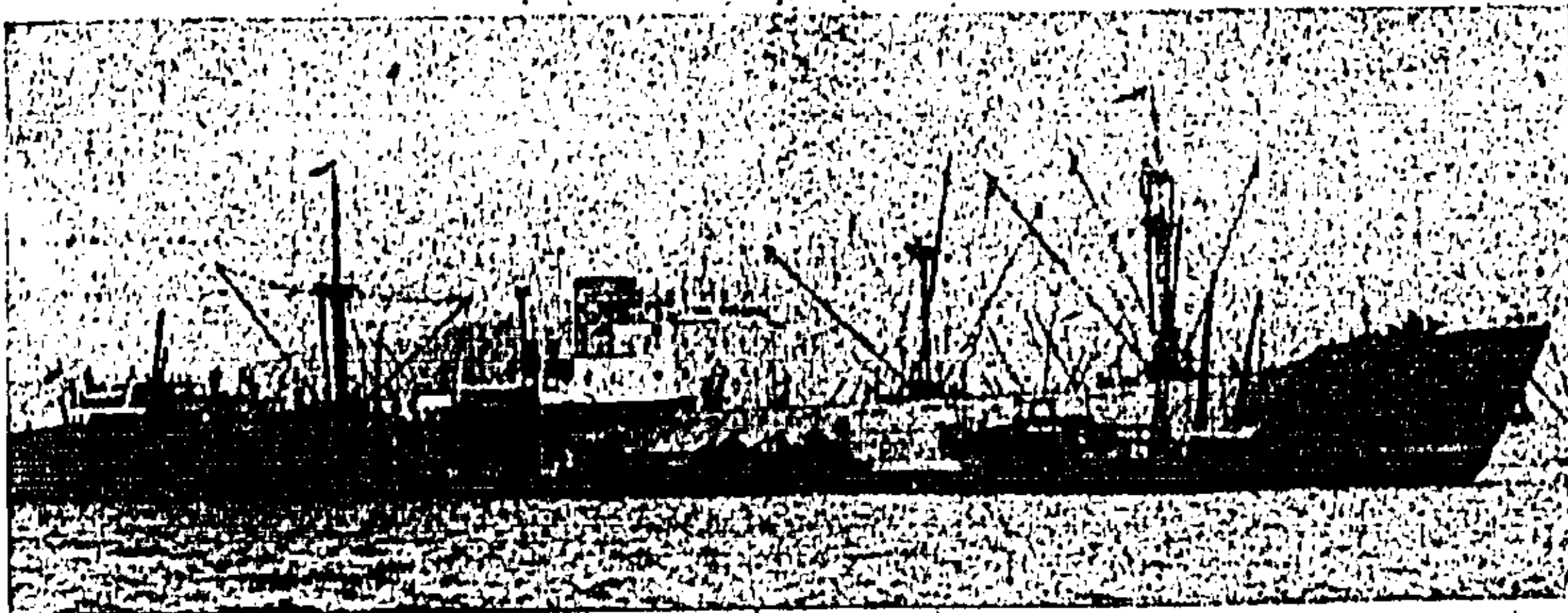
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# HONG KONG WATERFRONT

BY OUR HARBOUR REPORTER



The first Polish ship to make her debut in local waters is the 8,500-ton motor vessel Warta, which arrived here during the week to mark the inauguration of the first Polish shipping line for the Far East. The Warta has some 3,000 tons of general cargo for Tientsin, the last port of call on her Europe-Orient run. ("China Mail" Photo).

## New Polish shipping line for Far East

The recent visit of the mv. Warta, the first Polish ship to make her debut in local waters, has a dual significance and is a welcome indication of the development of the merchant marine between East and West.

Firstly, the presence of the sleek 8,500-ton freighter in Far Eastern waters marks the inauguration of the first Polish shipping line for the Orient and, secondly, the Warta herself is the forerunner of the establishment of a direct sea link between Hong Kong and Poland.

The Warta is the first of four, similar modern vessels placed on the Europe-Far East run by the Gdynia-American Line, which serves ports in Germany, Italy, Belgium, Egypt, India, Straits, Philippines, Hong Kong and Communist China (Tientsin).

The line will have regular schedules to the various Orient ports. A few other vessels will "tramp" round the globe. Manned by an all-Polish complement of 48, the Warta is a "resurrected" ship and has had a colourful career.

Originally designed and constructed in a German shipyard for a Norwegian shipping firm before the war, she was launched when the war broke out and operated by the Germans as a transport.

In 1942, the vessel was torpedoed by an Allied submarine. To avoid further attacks, she was sent to Poland, then occupied by the Germans. It was while awaiting to enter drydock in Gdynia, Poland's Baltic Sea port, that the ship was again bombed. She caught fire and sank.

After the war, she was refloated by the Poles and rebuilt in a Gdynia shipyard. Modern amenities specially designed for long sea voyages for passengers (do

luxury accommodation for eight only) and crew were incorporated in the reconstruction.

### First call

At the helm of the Warta is Captain Bohdan Jedrzejewski. All her personnel are visiting the Colony for the first time—to all, except the skipper, their maiden call was evidently something not to be cherished.

According to certain officers of the ship, the visiting Poles were not permitted to go ashore. Except for Captain Jedrzejewski, who was the only person allowed to land, the remaining 40 men saw Hong Kong only from mid-harbour.

(Though an official statement was not available from the Immigration authorities regarding the ban, it was learned that one reason given was that it was because this was the first visit of the ship. "It would be possible to have shore leave on the second call.")

To quote Chief Engineer Stanislaw Goclawski: "at least 35 seamen on this ship out of the 48 risked their lives to ferry supplies for the Allies when Poland was fighting against the Germans. Many Poles died in the Battle of Britain while fighting under the Allied banner."

"Now we come to a British port and are treated like suspicious people. Why?"

"At all the other British ports—Aden, Colombo and Singapore—we were given shore leave. Even when the crew was forbidden to land at a port, the captain and the chief engineer by right should be given special permission to go ashore to carry out certain duties relative to the operation of the ship," the officer declared.

### "Illogical"

Chief Officer Radoslaw Nowakowski, veteran of the Polish Navy in which he served for 20 years, retiring as commander, thought it illogical for the men to be kept aboard in mid-harbour "because British or any other foreign ships' personnel are free to come and go in our country. There is no such nonsensical restriction."

He added that the Singapore authorities were very co-operative.

"The Warta was held up in Kowloon Bay on her arrival on Thursday for nearly five hours before she was eventually 'freed' to moor at A12/7."

Another officer denounced the ban. He asserted seamen care nothing for politics and all they want is to spend their money, go touring and relax after a long trip.

He remarked that personnel of certain Russian and Chinese Communist ships in Hong Kong waters were permitted to go ashore, "which I learned from certain local sources."

"Now, tell me why we Polish seamen are not given a privilege which other foreign visitors have?" the youthful officer asked.

## BOAT CROSSES ATLANTIC

New York, September 23. A 30-foot sail-boat on a trans-Atlantic crossing, hove in sight off the New York coastline today at the end of a 3,000-mile voyage.

The Coast Guard reported that the craft, seen off Jones Beach, Long Island, headed into New York harbour.

Its crew of four Irish students left their homeland on June 16, making their first stop at Bermuda on August 29. This was after 78 days at sea.

They left Bermuda September 12. Their 40-year-old boat, the Luna, was bought by the students for \$40.—Reuter.

## Russian subs off Manchuria?

Whether or not Russian submarines are based in Manchurian waters is a matter of conjecture; but speculation is rife among certain sections of the Colony's Press circles.

Now and then seamen returning from the Tientsin-Tsingtao area after prolonged visits have casually remarked on having noticed at great distance a craft with the silhouette of a submarine when they were off the Manchurian coast.

Without supporting evidence—usually, "local" reports of such marine activity in that area—no serious thought has been given to the somewhat persistent "rumours."

However, a recent analysis of the position of the American fleet in the Far East by a Washington correspondent asserts that the Russian Navy is basing its submarines at a number instead of a few major bases: "undoubtedly out of Vladivostok, some out of Dairen."

The analysis further declared that the North Koreans "are believed to have no submarines."

Nor has Red China any such naval craft.

"The cruising range of big fleet type subs means that they can roam Eastward from the Pacific as well as close in to the Asiatic mainland," it added.

## NORWAY BACKS DEFENCE PLAN

Oslo, September 23. Norway today announced her support of the proposals for a joint defence force in Europe.

After a secret session of Parliament, the Prime Minister, Mr. Einar Gerhardsen, said the Norwegian Government and Parliament fully agreed with the proposals. All parties were also agreed that the Government should continue negotiations on this matter, he added.—Reuter.

## Santos survivor recalls tragedy

Five survivors of the 1,300-ton Panamanian freighter Santos, mined in the Yangtze last June, headed by Captain Hwang Cha-fang, have returned to the Colony recently bringing with them the tragic story of their experiences—now disclosed here publicly for the first time.

The "China Mail" learned exclusively how the second engineer, one of five fatal casualties, was knocked out and went down with the ship; how a steward failed to recover some 40,000 yen in mail for North China. She anchored some 50 miles downstream off Shanghai for the night "because we knew of certain dangerous areas on the route and that it would be risky to proceed under darkness."

The group which arrived here by train from Shanghai recently comprises the skipper, the second officer, the third officer, the wireless operator and the third engineer. The chief officer is meanwhile remaining in Shanghai with some 45 seamen.

According to the informants, the Santos was sent to the Yangtze after plying between Dairen and Tsingtao via Tientsin for 11 months—beginning last September.

The 1,300-ton freighter, formerly a British hospital ship, reached the Communist port without incident.

On June 19, 1950, the Santos cleared with only 200 bags of mail for North China. She anchored some 50 miles downstream off Shanghai for the night "because we knew of certain dangerous areas on the route and that it would be risky to proceed under darkness."

### Violent explosion

The Santos weighed anchor at 5 a.m. on the following day. One hour later, a violent explosion rocked the vessel. A mine had hit the starboard side of the engine room.

Captain Hwang was on the bridge. He blew "a.s." on the siren but it stopped 30 seconds later because the steam had given out.

The 87 crew scrambled into the two lifeboats, which were successfully lowered as the Santos began to list gradually from starboard to port.

The Santos submerged totally 14 minutes after the explosion. A check later disclosed that five persons were missing—they have been declared fatal casualties.

A Communist LST and two landing craft arrived two hours later. The Santos' personnel found aboard the LST members of the crew of the Panamanian freighter Yalta which had hit a mine.

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